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PREFACE.

IN 1863, when preparing materials for the HISTORY OF PEEBLESSHIRE, I applied to Mr John Bathgate, then Town Clerk of Peebles, for liberty to examine the Charters of the Burgh, the Burgh Council Records, and such other papers of an old date as might prove serviceable. The required liberty was granted; but in consequence of alleged losses, the documents submitted for inspection were comparatively few in number. The only charter that could be produced, was that of James IV. (1506), wanting the seal. All the others were missing, inclusive of the great charter of James VI. (1621); the only thing that could be shown for which was a copy of an imperfect English translation, printed in the form of a small tract in 1825. As regards the Records of the Town Council, the oldest began on 4th October 1456, and broke off abruptly in 1483. There was then a blank until 1652, when the Records were resumed, and continued with breaks of several years at a time. The two older volumes resembled bunches of discoloured leaves, in a tattered condition; no care apparently having been taken for their proper preservation. I was consequently unable to present that continuous and vivid account of the Burgh transactions reflecting on social history which would have been so very desirable. There matters rested until the work of collecting and printing documents for the SCOTTISH BURGH RECORDS SOCIETY, led to renewed inquiries, in the present year, concerning the charters and records of Peebles.

The honour of discovering the missing documents, all of deep public

interest, belongs to Mr J. D. MARWICK, Town-Clerk of Edinburgh, Secretary of the BURGH RECORDS SOCIETY, aided by his two assistants, Mr Alexander Harris, and Mr Robert Renwick. The following account of this notable discovery, furnished to me in a communication from Mr Renwick, during Mr Marwick's absence on the continent, will be read with interest :—

"The extracts from the earliest extant volume of the Records of the Town Council of Peebles, given by you in your "History of Peeblesshire," attracted Mr Marwick's attention, from the curious glimpses they afford of burghal life in the south of Scotland towards the close of the fifteenth century. He accordingly applied to Mr J. D. Bathgate, the present town clerk, for an inspection of the volume, which was at once sent to him, along with the volume of transcripts which had been made for you when preparing your volume, and which you had presented to the town. An examination of these, and especially of the original volume, satisfied him that the Peebles Records were worthy of early attention by the Burgh Records Society, and I was asked to make the requisite extracts with a view to publication.

"After these extracts had been made, it was considered desirable to print such of the oldest charters of the burgh as could be collected, but only a very few charters could be discovered in the ordinary repositories of the town.

"When the charters were being collected, Mr Marwick wished me to examine Macfarlane's MS. Collection, preserved in the library of the Faculty of Advocates, in the hope of finding some trace of the Charter of Erection of the Collegiate Church of St Andrew. Being unsuccessful in that quarter, Mr David Laing suggested that I might look with the same object into General Hutton's MS. Collection, made for his contemplated Monastic History of Scotland, and preserved in the same library. I did so, and was agreeably surprised to find two quarto volumes, prepared between the years 1800 and 1813, entirely devoted to transcripts of charters and extracts from the records of Peebles. Mr Marwick thereupon obtained permission from the curators of the library to make a careful inspection of these volumes, and he selected for transcription and publication in the present volume such charters as were connected more specially with the burgh. It was impossible however, to doubt that the General must have had access to many of the charters which had subsequently disappeared. The minute description which the volumes contained of many of these documents afforded conclusive evidence of this; and, as the writings were of great interest, and it was exceedingly desirable to have the proof-sheets collated with the originals, if they could possibly be discovered, Mr Marwick applied to Mr Bathgate,

to permit a thorough search to be made for them in the town-house and other likely places. The permission was at once given, and it was arranged that Mr Harris and I should take advantage of our first holiday to make an investigation into every corner where there was any probability of coming upon the papers. Fortunately, our search was successful. Two presses in the Town Hall, at Peebles, were found to contain large collections of papers, ancient and modern, and amongst these we discovered a considerable number of volumes of records of several descriptions, and all, or nearly all the papers which General Hutton had made use of, as well as others which were not suitable for the purpose he had in view, and were consequently not transcribed by him.

"It is observable, from scraps of newspapers placed here and there as marks in some of the volumes of records, that they have passed through the hands of some person, within the last twenty years or thereabouts. It seems probable that the belief in their loss has arisen from the books not having latterly come under the observation of those qualified to decipher the writing; and, but for the conviction of their existence, founded on the knowledge derived from General Hutton's volumes, and the impulse derived from this publication, these valuable records would not at the present time have been brought to light.

"The whole charters have now been carefully examined, and such of them as have been considered suitable for the present purpose have been printed. In cases where there was merely a copy to print from, the proofs have been collated with the originals.

"The principal charter, that of James VI., 1621, is not recorded in the Register of the Great Seal. A complete and accurate copy is consequently of the greater importance. The original deed is written on the face of a large sheet of parchment, and in several places, particularly at the folds, the material has been entirely worn away. In others, owing to the action of time and apparently of damp, the writing had faded to such an extent as to be quite undecipherable. In these circumstances, Mr Marwick applied to the Town Council of Peebles for permission to endeavour to restore the faded writing by chemical process, so far as to enable it to be read, and this permission was at once accorded. The charter was thereupon placed in the hands of Mr Dickson, Curator of the Historical Department of the General Register House, by whom the faded writing was brought up sufficiently to enable him to complete the transcript. The restored portions now occupy several pages of print. The whole of the charter was thereafter carefully collated by Mr Dickson, who has also collated with the Great Seal Register such of the charters as are there re-

corded. The community of Peebles may, accordingly, now be said to possess for the first time, an accessible and authentic copy of their most valuable Burgh Charter; which has, moreover, suffered nothing from the process to which it has been subjected.

"As for the Burgh Records, the first preserved volume, beginning in 1456, ends in 1483. Towards the end of that book, statutes of the bailies and council, and notes of Burgh Court proceedings are of rare occurrence; the great majority of the entries consisting of resignations and sasines of burgh property and annuals. Three volumes, and the fragment of another, bring down this, the first series of extant Records, to 1567, with the exception of blanks between 1530-4 and 1541-5; but the character of the entries in the latter part of the first volume is kept up, and there is not much of general interest. Indeed, almost the only items which it was thought desirable to extract were those relating to the admission of burgesses, where the burgess money was directed to be applied for public works, such as steeple building, bridge-work, &c. This state of matters can only be explained by supposing that subsequent to the commencement of the first volume, the system had been introduced of recording the proceedings of the Burgh Court and the ordinances of the bailies and council in a separate volume. There is, however, little room for conjecture; for, in a volume of accounts commencing in 1623, are found portions of the Burgh Court Books, dated respectively 1509 and 1520, used as wrappers or covers for one of those accounts, viz., that of 1633-4.

"A volume written in Latin, and containing resignations and sasines, services of heirs, and instruments by notaries, commences in 1549, and ends in 1565. A few entries have been taken from this volume, which is largely composed of matter not relating to the Burgh, but to persons and places throughout the county and district.

"Between 1554 and 1573, there are two volumes containing the statutes and proceedings of the bailies and the council, and these registers have been largely drawn upon for extracts which will be found in the present volume. From the latter date till 1604, the only volume which exists is a Register of Sasines commencing in 1594.

"In 1604, the system of keeping the transactions of the provost, bailies, and council separate from those of the magistrates sitting in the Burgh Court, was in operation. From about this time, therefore, there are, in addition to the sasine registers, two sets of records, the Council Record and Burgh Court Book.

"The Council Records recently found, embrace the following periods:—1604-1616; 1620-52; and 1679-1714. The volumes for 1652-1679, and those subse-

quent to 1714, were known to, and have been largely used by, you in the preparation of your History of Peeblesshire. It is accordingly understood that, from 1604 to the present time, with the exception of the part applicable to the four years from 1616 to 1620, and a few leaves at the end of volume 1650-52, the Council Records are complete. The Burgh Court Books which have been found of a date subsequent to 1623, consist of three volumes, and extend from that time down to 1704 continuously.

"The Treasurer's accounts, containing a number of curious and interesting items, embrace the following periods:—1554, 1623-39, 1645-6, 1650-1, and 1652-65."

"The greater number of the volumes being provided with parchment covers are in a fair state of preservation, but others not similarly protected have suffered in consequence. Several leaves have been altogether lost, and others in a loose state are out of their places. Mr. Bathgate is anxious to get the whole of the Records bound in a style uniform with the first volume, and when this is done the volumes will, to a large extent, be secured against farther deterioration."

This explanatory statement by Mr Renwick leaves little to be said of a prefatory nature. The missing charters and records being largely recovered, an opportunity for giving them publicity has occurred in the volume now issued by the Burgh Records Society. The originals having been returned to the proper quarter, are now fittingly preserved in a fire-proof depository.

The charters and general documents presented are not numerous; but, besides being locally valuable, they form a fair contribution to antiquarian and ecclesiastical literature. With respect to the extracts offered from the Burgh Records, beginning with 1456, they will be found to possess that degree of interest which it is the object of the Burgh Records Society to cultivate. To assist in promoting that object, I have drawn on some personal knowledge of the antiquities connected with Peebles, and thrown together the following observations and notes, in the form of an Introduction, Historical and Topographic, illustrated by a few wood engravings.

Mr Marwick is particularly desirous that acknowledgment may be made here of the valuable services generously rendered by Mr Thomas Dickson, Curator of the Historical Department in the General Register House, in the preparation

of the present volume. The actual labour contributed by him in transcribing those portions of the charters of 1621 which he was enabled to decipher, and afterwards in collating that and other charters, was very great; but, in addition to these acts of kindness, he has always been ready to make his great knowledge and experience available in any difficulty. Thanks are also very specially due to Mr John Stuart, LL.D., and to Mr George B. Robertson, Deputy Keeper of the Records, for their willing and valuable counsel and active aid. Nor is it possible to exaggerate the value of the service rendered by Mr Renwick, to whose unremitting zeal and painstaking industry this volume mainly owes its existence.

W. CHAMBERS.

Glenormiston, *Oct.* 3, 1872.

INTRODUCTION:

HISTORICAL AND TOPOGRAPHIC.

PEEBLES, a Royal Burgh, twenty-two miles south from Edinburgh, occupies a pleasant situation in the upper part of the vale of Tweed. All around is a mountainous district; the lower kind of hills bearing on their rounded summits interesting memorials of the early history of the country. These memorials consist of circular entrenchments, varying in dimensions, erected for purposes of defence against invasion, and to all appearance the work of an early British people; though in some instances, as in the approaches from the east and north, they may have been raised as lately as the fifth or sixth century, to oppose the aggressions of Jutes and Angles. The modern inhabitants are ignorant of their origin, but commonly call them Danish camps. The term Danish is evidently a corruption of the old British word *Dinas*, signifying a hill-fort. The word Dinas has been otherwise corrupted. Some places take from it the name *Tinnis* or *Tinnies;* and a hill lying on the east of Peebles, plentifully covered with these ancient forts, is corruptedly called *Janet's* Brae. A tolerably complete account of the British hill-forts in Peeblesshire, is offered in the History of the County (1864).

Peebles traditionally dates from this early British period, when a tribe of the wandering Gadeni pitched their rude tents or shielings, designated by

them *Pebyll*, on a broad alluvial plateau on the north bank of the Tweed. From this British term Pebyll, signifying tents, the town takes its present name, which has undergone several mutations. In old charters the place is called Peblis. There, on that level spot, did the town first assume a distinct shape, and there were the ecclesiastical glories of Peebles developed. From these circumstances, the cluster of houses in this quarter is locally spoken of as the *Old* Town.

Until it was extended by modern additions, the Old Town appeared to be only the fragment of what had at one time covered a much larger space of ground, in which the present roadways are presumed to mark the lines of ancient streets. Two or three leading facts present themselves. By David I., while still only Prince of Cumbria, the see of Glasgow was re-invigorated and re-endowed, 1116; and shortly after this, in the arrangement of the see into lesser ecclesiastical divisions, Peebles, with a group of parishes, became a deanery in the archdeaconry of Teviotdale, with a resident dean, the immediate superior of the ministering clergy within his jurisdiction. The next important fact was the founding of the parish church of Peebles, dedicated to St Andrew, on the site, as is believed, of a more ancient building. This event occurred in 1195, under the auspices of Bishop Joceline of Glasgow. This St Andrew's Church, as it was called, is frequently referred to in the charters and records connected with the burgh. A third fact of some importance was the founding and endowing of the Church of the Holy Cross, or Holy Rood, by Alexander III., 1261. As St Andrew's Church became a collegiate institution, with a provost, and twelve prebendaries serving at so many altars, and as the Church of the Holy Cross was constituted a monastery, with seventy red or Trinity friars, the number of ecclesiastics at these two establishments alone was very considerable. Both churches were placed in the Old Town, at the distance, in a straight line, of about a quarter of a mile from each other; the street between them forming a convenient ecclesiastical thoroughfare. A cross roadway, leading from an open quadrangular space in the old town, which had been the original market-place of the town, to the thoroughfare between the two churches, is

now called the Lidgate, a corruption of *Lych-gait*, signifying the way by which the dead were carried to the churchyard of St Andrew, the access to which was on the east. By a small effort of the imagination, we are therefore to contemplate the Old Town as having covered several fields behind the present houses, and as being the residence of a numerous body of clergy, including the Abbot of Aberbrothock, when, with a retinue of monks (as indicated in the Grant, No. IV., page 6), he visited the Hospicium connected with his convent.

It will be seen that the charters and documents contained in the present volume commence at the time when the burgh became enriched with the ecclesiastical establishments just mentioned,—notably in the reigns of William the Lion and Alexander III. This last-named monarch, as is well known, was accidentally killed, 1285, whence ensued a succession of national disasters. For nearly a hundred years, therefore, burghal records are wanting. The town, as in the case of other burghs, passed under the sovereignty of Edward I., to whom, according to State Rolls, 'William de la Chaumbre, Bailif é Burgoiss de Pebles, Johan Vicaire del Eglise, é tote la communaute de Pebles,' signed articles of allegiance at Berwick-on-Tweed, 1296.

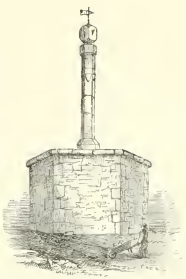
Hitherto, Peebles has been spoken of as being situated on the ground rising from the north bank of the Tweed, the relics of which constitute the Old Town. When the *New* Town, or the Peebles proper of modern times, was built, is not indicated by any record, and we are left to form an opinion on the subject from general but very conclusive circumstances. The open ground, dignified by the Church of St Andrew and the Church of the Holy Cross, was wholly indefensible. The houses were liable to attack, and could be easily destroyed by an enemy from the English border. Hence arose a necessity for building the town on the adjoining peninsula, formed by the Tweed on the south, and the Peebles water, as it is called in the older records, on the north; the infall of this small tributary being at the western extremity of the peninsula. This was an eminently defensible position, and its adoption seems to have been promoted by the building of

a royal castle on the prominent knoll by which the peninsula is terminated on the west. We hear of this castle in the reign of Edward I. It seems more than probable that the new town assumed a determinate shape in the course of the twelfth and thirteenth centuries. It was built in a manner befitting a seat of population exposed to predatory encroachment. To this point we have to draw particular attention.

In the Old Town there is not a vestige of any castellated or defensible edifice. The whole, even in the best days of the place, had consisted of a plain class of dwellings, thatched, and liable to instant destruction. There is no appearance of an environing wall. The two churches might at any time have been assailed, and their respective communities dispersed or put under contribution. The very existence of a town, so open to invasion, in the vale of Tweed, is a significant token of international peacefulness previous to the thirteenth century.

The new town was commenced and continued for several centuries on an entirely different footing. It became a species of border garrison,—an outpost, so to speak, of Edinburgh. The site of the new town is nothing more than a mass of diluvial gravel, the relic of some early geological movement. The surface of the peninsular mass is a height of about sixty feet from the Tweed on the one side, and the Peebles or Eddleston water on the other, affording space for a good broad street, lying east and west, with diverging closes or lanes on each side. The street is generally called the "Hie Gait" in the records, and the two lines of houses in the street are ordinarily spoken of as the North and South Raw. Such was the main thoroughfare, or High Street, on which markets and fairs were held. Here, towards the eastern extremity of the street, stood the market cross, which was a plain, octangular structure, with a central shaft, as renovated in 1699. From this structure, of which we give a representation as it appeared immediately before its removal (1807), royal proclamations were made. It was likewise the scene of burghal and other ceremonies requiring publicity. The cross was also used as a pillory for criminals. Here, James Tweedie of Drummelzier and his accomplices appeared in

their shirts, to make confession of, and crave forgiveness for, the barbarous murder of John, Lord Fleming, 1524.[1] Nearly opposite the cross, on the north, was the entrance to the town from the Northgait.



CROSS OF PEEBLES, AS RENOVATED 1699.

The corner tenement on the left, in entering the Northgait from the Cross, was known as the *cunzie* or *cunie* neuk,—the term employed being from the old word *coign*, a corner. The present building is modern, having replaced that which is referred to in the Records, 12th February 1473, wherein it is stated that "Wylyam of Peblis" resigned his foreland lying "on the conzhe nest the Northgat," as an endowment for Saint Leonard's Hospital at the west end of the burgh, to insure prayers in all time coming, "for his saull, his wyffis saull, his barnis and princepally for all the saullis at the sayd Wylyam has had ony gudis wrangwysly of ony mannis, be bying or selling, or ony enterchangyng, and for all cristyn saullis." We seldom meet with so amusing a trait of late repentant candour.

The High Street, as was customary in old Scottish towns, was much embarassed by projections, outside stairs, and even with dunghills, notwithstanding edicts to the contrary. The projections were generally of a slight fabric, several being only of wood. They were mostly used as shops. An enquiry into the authority by which these "sindry choppis and new biggynnis" were erected, was ordered, 27th October 1560 (p. 262). Perhaps the most inconvenient object in the main thoroughfare was an open drain or gutter, called the Dean's Gutter, from being opposite the house occupied by the Dean of Peebles. It was ordained, that fleshers should bring their flesh for sale to that part of the street lying "betuix the croce and the Dene gutter" (p. 215). The mention of outside stairs, or "fore stairs," as they were

[1] History of Biggar and the House of Fleming. By William Hunter, 1862.

generally called, renders it proper to explain the nature of the old street architecture in Peebles, and the means taken for defence of the burgh.

Around the town there were continuous stone dykes, with four principal entrances or ports, and ultimately, as will be afterwards noticed, the dykes were superseded by a very sufficient wall. With its castle, the burgh had, therefore, a considerably defensive aspect. But the inhabitants did not altogether rely on these means of security. The dwellings on both sides of the High Street, and also some dwellings in the closes, were strongly built as bastel-houses. The name bastel-house was applied to a dwelling constructed with its ground floor as an arched vault, the apartments above being reached by an outside stair. In cases of expected attack, the burgesses placed their wives and children, with such moveable wealth as they prized, in these vaults, which were secured by a small and very strong arched door. One of these doorways, in an existing bastel-house in Peebles, is represented in the adjoining cut. The thatched roof of these bastel-houses was easily set on fire, but it was not difficult to restore; and, at the end of a well-contested attack the town probably had not suffered much material damage.

DOOR OF A BASTEL-HOUSE IN PEEBLES.

In all the Scottish towns near the border there were bastel-houses of this kind, and even now, after ages of tranquillity, they have not disappeared. Scott, in his "Border Antiquities," vol. i. p. lxiv., makes the following reference to them:—"Lesudden, a populous village, when burned by Sir Ralph Evers, in 1544, contained no less than sixteen strong bastel-houses; and Jedburgh, when taken and burned by the Earl of Surrey, contained six of these strongholds, with many good houses besides, was twice as large as the town of Berwick, and could have accommodated a garrison of a thousand cavalry. The defence of these towns was very obstinate, the people themselves pulling down the thatch of their houses, and burning it in the streets to stop the progress of their enemies." As lately as the beginning of the

present century, there survived from fifteen to twenty bastel-houses in Peebles. In the progress of street improvement a number have latterly been removed, but as many as six still existed in 1870. Between the bastel-houses in towns, and the feudal peel-houses erected along the line of the Tweed, there was a marked resemblance. The object of both was the same.

Edward I. is known to have visited Peebles, and to have granted charters dated from its royal castle. In 1304, he assigned Peebles, with its mill and other pertinents, to Aymer de Valence, his Warden of Scotland. Robert Bruce, under his designation of Robert I., is known to have granted a charter to the burgh of Peebles, including freedom to hold a fair; but the document is among the missing State Records.[1] In the year in which Bruce died, 1329, Peebles was visited by his son, Prince David,[2] then a boy of six years of age, who ascended the throne as David II., and during the early years of whose minority the government was conducted by Randolph, Earl of Moray. Now ensues a fresh dislocation of political ties. By the battle of Halidon Hill, 1333, Edward Baliol acquired a temporary and imperfect possession of the kingdom, and thereafter surrendered to Edward III., 1334, a large portion of the south of Scotland, including the county of Peebles.[3] The north-western boundary of the ceded territory was at Karlynlippis, or Carlops, near the northern base of the Pentland range of hills.[4] In virtue of this transfer, Peebles was a town under English jurisdiction for fully twenty years, a circumstance not contributing to the safety of any ancient records which it happened to possess.

The return of David II. from France, where he had been educated, imparted a gleam of hope to Scotland, but his disastrous defeat at the battle of Durham, 1346, when he was taken prisoner and carried to London, threw the country back to its former deplorable condition. Negotiations for peace, and the ransom and delivery of David, having taken place in 1356, a parliament met next year to ratify the stipulations. To this important assemblage of the Scottish Estates Peebles deputed two commissioners—

[1] Robertson's Index to the Charters, f. 15, No. 4.
[2] Chamberlain Rolls, vol. i. p. 62.
[3] Hailes's Annals of Scotland, vol. ii. p. 210.
[4] Wynton's Chronicle.

"Nicholas, the son of John, and John, the son of William,"—such, perhaps, being the first time representatives were ever sent from Peebles. The same persons, as representing Peebles, also concurred with the representatives of fifteen other burghs in the appointment of procurators to concur in any treaty, and to undertake whatever obligation might be necessary, to effect the ransom and release of the king.

By the arrangements on this occasion, the English claims on Scotland were finally extinguished. The border line now shifts back to the former boundary, and Peebles resumes its status as a free Scottish burgh. After this event, the first communication made to Peebles by David II. consisted of letters to the bailies, burgesses, and community, 8th March 1362-3 (No. V. p. 8), charging them to assign a fitting place or stance for building "a certain chapel in honour of the glorious Virgin Mary the mother of God." This request was complied with. The spot assigned for the chapel was in the High Street, near the castle of Peebles; and for its support David, by a charter, granted the mill of Innerleithen. This charter is in existence, but it has not been deemed necessary to print it.

The country at large suffered the calamity of civil wars and disturbances, during the regency of the two dukes of Albany, father and son, at the conclusion of the fourteenth and beginning of the fifteenth century. The precarious condition of the burgh during this dismal period is evident from a passage in one of the old rhyming chronicles. About 1406, Sir Robert Umphraville, vice-admiral of England, made an incursion into Scotland, and attacking the town of Peebles on a market-day, made great spoil of the wares there collected, causing his men to measure out the cloth with their bows and spears. The affair is mentioned in Hardyng's *Chronicle* (1543), and it is stated that Umphraville hence acquired the name of Robin Mendmarket:—

> "At Peebles . . . .
> He brent the town upon their market-day,
> And mete their cloth with spears and bows sere,
> By his bidding without any nay;
> Wherefore, the Scots from henceforward ay
> Called him Robin Mendmarket in certain,
> For his measures were so large and plain."

In consequence of the loss of its more ancient charters, however incurred, the burgh can point to no existing document of this kind earlier than one granted by James II. at the middle of the fifteenth century. Celebrity has been given to the town by the interesting poem, entitled *Peebles to the Play*, commonly, but without any absolute warrant, ascribed to James I., and believed to have been written about 1430. If that accomplished and unfortunate monarch, who was murdered at Perth in 1437, conferred any special token of his royal favour, the fact is not recorded. The charter given by his son and successor, James II., purports to be to the burgesses and community of Peebles, and is dated 5th February 1451-52 (No. IX. p. 16). It proceeds on the grounds "that in times long past by the hazards of war, and by fire, the charters, evidents, and several deeds of infeftment, granted to their predecessors and them, had been destroyed, burned, and annulled."

Among the charters will be observed (No. VIII. p. 14) an indenture entered into between the bailies and burgesses and Sir William Adesoun, a priest of Peebles, ordaining an obit of masses to be done at Saint Michael's altar, and our Lady's altar. This document is dated 3d September 1450. Of the original, which is in English, a facsimile is given at the beginning of the present volume. According to the indenture, nine masses were to be done annually, on behalf of certain persons specified, on the 3d of June, but if that day fell on a Saturday, Sunday, or any solemn holy day, the masses were to be delayed to the following Monday. The whole arrangement regarding these masses throws an interesting light on ecclesiastical history.

With respect to Saint Michael, mention is often made in the records of the service to be rendered at the altar of that puissant and greatly venerated archangel. Various pieces of land about the town were appropriated to the support of his chaplain. From the Burgh Records, 10th May 1462 (p. 142), we learn that the altar was provided with an image of Saint Michael, which was made to take part in the ceremony of infefting persons in the lands set apart in his honour. A bailie, with witnesses, having attended for the purpose of giving possession of certain lands from which an annual was payable "to the huphald of Sanct Mechelis seruis in Sanct Androis Kyrk,"

"thair was brocht the ymage of Sanct Mechel, and of that land was layd erd and stan in that ymagis hand,"—a singularly grotesque but no doubt effective ceremonial in the taking and giving possession of lands.

It is observed from an entry in the records, 14th June 1462 (p. 145), that the chaplain at Saint Michael's altar was installed in his office by the symbol of giving him a glove, and that at demitting office a glove was resigned into the hand of a bailie. The chaplain referred to in this particular record is "Schyr John of Loche." In all other instances of ministering priests being referred to, the same term "Schyr" or "Sir" is prefixed to their names; as, for example, "Sir Wilyam Gybsoun, "Sir John Smayle" (p. 146). This title of *Sir*, given to ecclesiastics in the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries, has, as everybody is aware, been superseded by the term *Reverend*. In quitting Saint Michael, we have to remark that a lane leading from the "North Raw" to Peebles Water was called Saint Michael's Wynd, a name which it still retains, and which was probably derived from the fact of certain lands belonging to the service of St Michael's altar being situated in its vicinity (pp. 142, 189).

By an entry in the records (p. 204), we learn that the Church of St Andrew was provided with an image of that saint, before which wax candles were kept burning. A piece of land is stated to have been held on paying annually "vj s. and viij d. for the vphalding of the wex candellis in the pane befor Sanct Andro in the queir." This establishes the fact that the image had a position in the choir, or place of peculiar honour. In the records, the existing roadway up the Old Town is called the "gat passand fra Pebles brig passes to Sant Andros Kirk" (p. 187).

To resume our history of the royal charters. Passing over several documents of lesser moment, we come to the charter of confirmation and novodamus by James IV., under his great seal, to the burgesses and community, of their privileges and possessions, dated 24th July 1506 (No. XX. p. 35). It is a more lengthened document than the charter of James II., and makes a similar allusion to the old charters and evidents having been burned, destroyed and annihilated.

During the minority of Queen Mary, under the protectorate of James, Earl of Arran, a royal charter was granted, 8th June 1543 (No. XXXII. p. 61), confirming a charter by the burgh, and John Lord Hay of Yester, constituting the parish church of St Andrew a collegiate church, with a provost, twelve prebendaries, and two young persons to assist in chanting divine service. The document specifies the titles and services of the respective prebendaries. They are to be called as follows:—The first, the prebendary of the blessed Virgin Mary of Childbirth; the second, the prebendary of the Holy Rood; the third, the prebendary of St Michael the archangel; the fourth, the prebendary of Saint Mary Major; the fifth, the prebendary of the blessed Peter and Paul; the sixth, the prebendary of Saint John the Baptist; the seventh, the prebendary of Saint Mary of Geddes Aisle; the eighth, the prebendary of Saint Andrew; the ninth, the prebendary of Saint James; the tenth, the prebendary of Saint Lawrence; the eleventh, the prebendary of St Martin; the twelfth, the prebendary of St Christopher. The whole, for their services at their respective altars, were to be maintained by rents from certain lands. The original charter by the Burgh and Lord Yester has not been discovered, but there is preserved an extract from it containing the rental of St Mary, and that extract will be found in the Appendix to the present volume.

It is to be noticed that this endowment of "altarages" in St Andrew's Church took place in 1543, only four years previous to the battle of Pinkiecleugh, fought 10th September 1547, when the English, under the Protector Somerset, totally defeated the Scots. This unfortunate contest turned mainly on the question of the Reformation, as carried out by Henry VIII., against the still intact Church of Rome in Scotland. Strange to say, the community of Peebles, which had just signalised itself by endowing prebends in St Andrew's Church, took the side of the English: the circumstance, however, most likely arose more from the terror inspired by invading hosts all over the southern counties than from any love for the religion of the reformers. The fact that the people of Peebles attached themselves to the English at this national crisis, is curiously brought out in the document

entitled "Composition for Remission to the Bailies, Councillors, and Community of Peebles, for their treasonable adherence to the English," 15th June 1551 (No. XXXIII. p. 65). The community is stated to have treasonably adhered to "the old enemies of England," after the battle of Pinkiecleugh, "for a period of fifteen weeks or thereabouts in time of war." The composition or fine for this grave offence is seen to have been £200,—of course in Scots money, being about £16 13s. 4d. sterling. The Burgh Records, not being complete at this period, contain no notice of the Pinkiecleugh affair, nor of the fine imposed on account of it. We only learn incidentally that the town was visited by a military force who burnt St Andrew's Church. Very meagre notices of the event occur in 1555 (p. 215), 1556 (p. 236), and also under the date 11th December 1560 (p. 266), in a representation to the Lords of the Secret Council, that "the paroche kirk was brint and distroyit be Yngland xii yeris syne or thairby." The invaders committed a still greater atrocity. They cruelly burnt the town. Birrel in his *Diary* briefly refers to the event as follows: "Peebles burnt by Englishmen, in anno 1549." The invaders on the occasion possibly consisted of a detachment from the forces of Lord Wharton on the western marches, joined by the Earl of Lennox, who commanded the Scottish borderers in the service of England.[1]

The escapade connected with Pinkiecleugh, in which the people of Peebles were not singular, does not seem to have been remembered vengefully against the burgh. All things went on as usual, and again there was some experience of royal favour. Queen Mary, by a charter under the great seal, of new erected the burgh of Peebles into a free royal burgh, with liberty to hold markets and fairs, and with other privileges specified in ancient infeftments. It is dated Peebles, 17th December 1554 (No. XXXIV. p. 66). As seen by an extract from the Burgh Records (p. 209), "an honest and discreet man, Mungo Williamson," empowered by letters from the Queen, went, on the 3d May, 1555, to the market-cross of the burgh, and there

[1] Tytler's History of Scotland, Vol. vi., p. 45.

solemnly proclaimed two new fair days, for the buying and selling of all kinds of merchandise.

From numerous entries in the records, it is observed that at this period the community were in an exceedingly perturbed condition, and the misery that prevailed among the humbler classes is very clearly indicated by the frequent notice of "pykaris," or stealers of petty articles, such as hens, kale, peats, &c. (pp. 221-4). In 1555 watchmen were appointed to keep watch during the night, and from that time till 1573, the records applicable to which period have been well preserved, numerous regulations regarding the watch were passed. The principal orders of this kind will be found in the extracts, one of which, passed in 1557, provided that at any sudden fray or incursion by thieves, a gun was to be fired, and the inhabitants were to assemble well armed (p. 240). What a condition of insecurity!

The distractions were aggravated by the uprooting of old usages consequent on the Reformation, and the turning adrift of large numbers of ecclesiastics and their attendants. The Reformation in Scotland was effected by statute, August 1560. Of this momentous event the records say very little, but that little is not valueless. In the first place, it is stated under date 30th March 1560 (p. 259), that "a venerable and worthy man, Friar Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles," had been put in such mortal fear by John Master of Maxwell and others, on behalf of the Lords of the Congregation, that to save his life and prevent the destruction of his place and monastery he changed his dress, substituting a grey keltour gown for his white habit, at the same time putting on a "how" black bonnet. This act was no doubt intended to indicate that the Friar had renounced the old religion and embraced the new, but in the instrument in which he records his compromise he is careful to state that it was "not from any hatred of his old religion." No outrage on the structure or furnishings of the Cross Church is recorded, but we can entertain little doubt that by the invasion of the Master of Maxwell the edifice was cleared of all the objects hitherto considered sacred, including the reliques

of Saint Nicholas and the "Haly Rude of Peebles," which for ages had been devoutly flocked to by pilgrims from all parts of Scotland.

We have a glimpse of the expulsion of the brotherhood of the Holy Cross. Gilbert Broune, the superior of the convent, casts up again in the records on the 27th January 1560, which according to the old mode of reckoning came after the 30th March of the same year. On this occasion he obeys the Lords of the Congregation, by delivering up the Cross Church to the bailies, and commanding his brethren to disperse. He takes care, however, to protest that he and other members of the convent rendered obedience on the understanding that they were severally to enjoy the endowments of the church during their lives. To this they were reasonably entitled, but their demission of office on an attempt to secure these terms has an unpleasantly sordid aspect.

What about St Andrew's Church during this commotion? Nothing very satisfactory can be said on the subject. It has been already mentioned, on the faith of the records, that this ancient parish church was burnt and destroyed by forces in the service of England about twelve years before the Reformation, and it is distinctly stated that it would require to be rebuilt; wherefore the burgesses besought the Lords of the Secret Council to let them have the newly cleared Cross Church to be the church for the parish. That at least a considerable portion of St Andrew's Church had been destroyed, is evident from the fact that on the 27th May 1555 (p. 213), Charles Geddes desires the bailies to "repair and big the Geddes ile," and from the still more conclusive fact that on the 14th October, same year (p. 218), "the inquest ordanis the baillies and uychtbouris pas to the Kirk and sycht the samyn with witty men to se quhow it may be biggit." It is not stated that the edifice was rebuilt. Yet there was probably some kind of restoration, for on the 13th January 1557 (p. 242), the bailies insist that the prebendaries shall make continual and daily service at their respective altars, conformable to endowment by the patrons. A similar entry occurs two years previously (p. 226), warning "all chaplains to mak residence at thair altaris conform to thair fundatioun within xlj dayis," under penalty

of having their offices declared vacant. This would seem to indicate a laxity of the ecclesiastical system on the eve of the Reformation in Scotland.

The Reformation being effected, and the old endowments appropriated by the nobility and gentry—the yearly value derived from some of the prebends, however, being still under the administration of the burgh (p. 335)—the ecclesiastical system in Peebles was put on a very modest footing; for a time it consisted of only a single exhorter, named John Dikeson, whose annual stipend amounted to no more than forty merks."[1] St Andrew's Church was allowed to fall to ruin. For upwards of a century the structure has consisted of only a massive square tower, and a few broken walls—the grassy sward of its interior being dotted over with modern grave-stones. The chapel of the Virgin Mary in the High Street, becoming burgh property, was used occasionally for religious purposes until its removal in 1780. The Cross Church was used as the parish church until 1784, when the congregation removed to a new church of a poor style of architecture, erected on the site of the Castle of Peebles. At the spot in the eastern gable of the Cross Church where stood the high altar, a doorway was opened, and over it is the inscription—"FEIRE GOD, 1656." The church had five windows on the southern side, in which was the main entrance. Between the third window and the door there was a small aperture and arch, so constructed as to make it probable to the antiquaries of last century that the reliques of St Nicholas and the Holy Cross had been deposited there, so that they might be seen as well without as within the church.[2]

The cloisters and other buildings occupied by the monastics of the Cross Church were situated on the north side of the edifice. They had formed a quadrangle. The chief building, erected over a vault, consisted of a single apartment, which was reached by an outside flight of steps. On one side there was an opening from the apartment into the church. Probably this had been the apartment used by the superior, who could at any time, by means of the opening, observe the proceedings of the monks and other

[1] Names of Ministers, Exhorters, &c., printed for the Maitland Club. See also Extracts from the Records, pp. 263. 268.

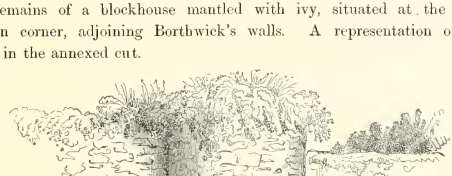
[2] Origines Parochiales Scotiæ.

worshippers. The various outbuildings remained entire after the Reformation, some portions of them being used for a school till some time in the eighteenth century. They then sunk to ruin, and gradually disappeared; but, within the remembrance of the present writer, the foundations of the cloisters were still visible. The church itself, after its desertion in 1784, also became a ruin; the progress of its delapidation being accelerated by want of care and the improper abstraction of materials. The principal portion now remaining is the shattered ivy-clad tower.

Continuing our notes on the charters and records, we come to that sorely troubled state of affairs which immediately succeeded the Reformation. In the year 1569, during the regency of the Earl of Murray, the Borders, including the Vale of Tweed, were so greatly disturbed by parties of armed marauders that the community of Peebles found it necessary to increase their means of defence. The stone dykes which environed the town being insufficient for protection, it was resolved to build a regularly defensible wall. On this point the records of the burgh are gratifyingly explicit. Beginning with the 24th February 1569 (p. 312), we have a series of entries regarding the wall, from which, along with existing relics, we can trace the line of defence and the nature of its construction. Referring to the notices, which are worthy of careful perusal, it is enough to say that the wall was to be four ells and a half in height, "ground and all," and three feet and a half in breadth, with block houses, or projecting towers with shot holes at certain places. The wall was to begin at the "Golt Fut," a point on Tweed Green near the foot of the present Vennel, thence going northwards to Lord Borthwick's walls, where it was to turn westwards to Usher's wynd and Peebles Water; it was then to run along the foot of the gardens to "Peebles Brig," after which, going southwards at the West Port, it was to run along the south side of the town "to the said Golt Fut." The town was thus to be effectually enclosed, with the four ports which had hitherto existed in the environing dykes.

It is interesting to note the terms on which the wall was to be constructed. The authorities possessed no funds adequate for a work of such

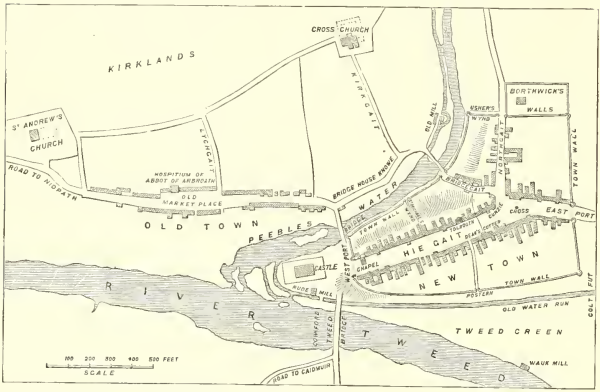
magnitude. All they could do was to offer a contractor the profits of the two corn mills and the wauk mill for ten years to undertake the job, with the provision that all the horses in the town should fetch lime to carry on the works. Stene Robesone gave some promise of constructing the wall on the proposed terms, but he (p. 315), shrunk from the bargain, and ultimately (p. 317), "Sir John Allane, commoun clerk, and Thomas Lauder, masone, agreed to build the wall on condition of having the profits of the mills for thirteen years. According to the definition respecting the run of the wall (p. 316), it was to go "north about inwith my lord Borthik wallis to Peblis Walter." The meaning of this seems to be that the wall was to keep within some property of Lord Borthwick in turning westwards. We see from present appearances that Borthwick's walls inclosed a quadrangular space exterior to the town wall, but intimately connected with it. The space so enclosed is now the property of the British Linen Company; and the name Borthwick's walls, which is given in Armstrong's map of Peebles, 1775, was until lately still in use. In the existing portion of the town wall in this quarter are comprehended the remains of a blockhouse mantled with ivy, situated at the north-eastern corner, adjoining Borthwick's walls. A representation of it is given in the annexed cut.



REMAINS OF TOWN WALL EAST PORT.

For a small country town with slender means, the surrounding wall was well executed, as regards height, breadth, and material, which consisted of

stone and lime, with a coping of turf. We refer to the records for the precautions adopted by the burgh authorities for guarding the ports and defending the walls against sudden surprise,—the whole conveying to us a distressing picture of the condition of a Scottish border community early in the reign of James VI. We have attempted to sketch a map of



SKETCH MAP OF ROYAL BURGH OF PEEBLES, WITH WALL, 1569.

the town with the wall of 1569, drawn from a close examination of existing relics, assisted by the entries in the burgh records and personal reminiscences of the locality. The adjoining sketch may be useful in contrasting the defensible character of the New with the open condition of the Old town. After the Reformation, however, when the two ecclesiastical establishments had been sacked, there was little in the Old Town to be worth caring for, and this division of the burgh sunk to the character of a semi-deserted suburb.

Unhappily, while the whole district of country from the Merse to Dumfriesshire was a scene of disorder, the general dissensions were imitated on a minor but not less rancorous scale by the burgesses of Peebles, who among themselves scolded, quarrelled, and fought, used towards each other opprobrious epithets in open council, constantly disagreed about rights to common property, and at times, out of malice or an inclination for plunder, committed crimes which brought them within the scrutiny of the higher courts.

No name occurs more frequently in the records during the fifteenth and sixteenth century than that of Dickison or Dykisoun. The Dickisons were proprietors of Winkston, a property situated about a mile north from the town, and bounded by certain commons pertaining to the burgh. Concerning the marches, there appear to have been disputes between William Dickison and John his son and heir, and the burgh in 1555 (p. 213). Although trusted, and raised to the position of a bailie, John Dickison was evidently a troublesome individual. From what cause, whether from a revival of the dispute about the marches, or otherwise, a bad feeling grew up in the town against him, and he was at length barbarously murdered on the 1st July 1572. Of this lamentable event, the records take no notice, except in a casual way. On the day following the murder, William Dickison of Winkston, for himself and his kinsmen, promises to live peaceably in time to come, and the bailies and community in like manner undertake not to molest him and his friends. But though only incidentally referred to here and elsewhere in the records the fact of the slaughter is undoubted; for it was the subject of judicial inquiry. On the 19th July the same year, James Tweedie, John Wychtman, Martin Hay, and John Bullo, all of Peebles, and Thomas Johnston, son of Thomas Johnston of Craigieburn, were tried at the High Court of Justiciary, 'for the cruel slaughter of the late John Dickisone of Wynkstone.' The assize acquitted them, with only one dissentient.[1] According to a tradition which lingered in the town till within the last fifty years, the murder was committed in the High Street, near the Dean's Gutter.

[1] Pitcairn's Criminal Trials, vol. i., p. 34.

The perplexing thing about this unhappy affair is, that the murdered man is spoken of traditionally as 'Provost Dickison,' and he is also, as will be seen, referred to as 'provost' in an entry in the council records, 1st March 1682. Now, it is proper to say, that at the time of the murder the provost of the burgh was 'William Lord Hay of Yester,' who was elected for a year, 16th October 1571 (p. 329). We, indeed, do not find any entry as to Dickison ever being appointed provost. The only explanation we can offer is, that Dickison had perhaps acted for some time as chief magistrate, or depute provost, for Lord Hay of Yester was frequently absent, and was in fact little better than an ornamental official.

From entries in the Privy Council Records, quoted in the *History of Peeblesshire*, the feuds, slaughters, and disorders in the county during the latter part of the sixteenth century fill the modern reader with astonishment. At this period, James VI. several times visited Peebles either to hold summary courts on disturbers of the peace, or in the more vain attempt to compose the feuds of the gentry. In the history of the town, are seen on a limited scale, the efforts of the monarchy to secure the allegiance of the burghs as a make-weight against the ambitious and dangerous tendencies of the higher class of nobles. All the charters granted to Peebles, as to other burghs, by the old Scottish sovereigns are traceable to this sagacious policy. James VI., after he had ascended the throne of England, gave a charter to the burgh, which remains the golden charter of the community, and is that commonly quoted.

This great charter, which amplifies all the privileges formerly conceded, is a charter of confirmation and novodamus. It was granted by James VI. to the Provost, Bailies, and Councillors of the Burgh of Peebles, 19th November 1621 (No. XL., p. 76). This copious document may be consulted for an account of the many privileges and possessions conferred from time to time on the burgh. From the explanations already offered, it is evident that great pains have been taken to give a perfect transcript and translation of this important document. As no such trouble had been incurred in effecting a transcript of the charter hitherto in use, the burgh now for the

first time after a long period, is put in possession of a complete and trustworthy copy. The privileges conferred by the charter remain, modified by modern legislation; where the many possessions are, it would be painful to consider. In this respect, Peebles has not been exempted from the fate of most royal burghs favoured by the munificence of royal and other donors.

The records and accounts afford some curious information regarding the troops of the Commonwealth which were quartered in the town; and at a subsequent period we also find a few incidents connected with the troubles which sprang up in Scotland, consequent on the obligation to take the 'test.' Of this test, which drove the Covenanters to the hills, we observe that on one occasion certain magistrates and councillors refused to take it. But afterwards the members of council became more pliable. Under date 29th September 1684 occurs the passage,—'The proveists, baillies, thesaurer, and dean of gild, being newly elected, took upon their knees the Test.' As is seen from the list of council at this date, two "extraordinary members" had been imposed on it, "John earle of Tueiddale and John Lord Hay of Yester." By an arbitrary stretch of authority, as appears under date 27th December 1686, the election of the magistrates and council was suspended by royal mandate, such being a small specimen of the ill-considered acts which two years later drove the king from the throne, and led to the Revolution.

What became of the old castle of Peebles, once the residence of royalty, and a prime stronghold in this part of the country, is left unexplained by any record which we have been able to consult. The last time we see it mentioned is in the Rental Book of the Earl of Tweeddale's estates, which is dated Peebles Castle, 26th April 1671 till 1685. Peebles Castle therefore existed, though in a decayed condition, until nearly the close of the seventeenth century, and shortly afterwards sinking to ruin, it would probably be removed as building materials. Certainly, it was gone at the commencement of the eighteenth century. In 1720, the town council ordered the banks round the castle-hill to be planted with trees. Subsequently, a portion of the cleared site of the castle was laid out as a public bowling-green, and afterwards, the remaining part of the site was required

for the new parish church. As regards the town wall of 1569, it existed, though in a dilapidated condition, until the middle of the eighteenth century. In 1758 the council resolved to take down the West Port, and level the port brae, in order to make a more commodious entry to the town. Cleared away by this and other operations, the wall generally disappeared about the year 1800, leaving only a few fragments, the largest of which, near the East Port, has already been referred to.

We conclude by calling attention to a few points of general interest in the earlier extracts. In these, some curious notices occur respecting a branch of civic administration, in regard to which we have no very definite information. We refer to the dousan or council of the burgh, which seems to have varied in its numbers from 21 to 25, and the inquest or queist composed of persons numbering from 12 to 21. Whether the inquest was a different body from the dousan, or was composed of members of the dousan or of private inhabitants called upon sometimes to advise with the bailies on special occasions, or on others to act as a jury and determine special questions of fact, is not by any means clear. Both conjectures seem to derive support from various acts. Probably the records of other burghs may afford more definite information on this subject. Meanwhile we can only call attention to the fact that the dousan and the inquest both appear to have possessed considerable authority as regards the guardianship of the burgh, the regulation of prices, and matters of police. The constant interference of the inquest with traders and merchandise, forms a prominent feature in the records, and gives an impressive idea of that mischievous meddlesomeness with the free current of trade and the prices of labour which once prevailed in Scottish burghs.

From innumerable entries, we learn that fines for underselling, and for a variety of petty offences, formed a prolific source of burghal revenue. When the town wanted a clock, or required means for building a steeple, or repairing a bridge, or any other useful purpose, instead of levying a tax, the plan of contriving and imposing fines was resorted to. A town clock being wanted, it was 'statut and ordanyt,' in 1462 (p. 147), that whoever

breaks the price of bread or ale, shall be fined 'xij d. to the bying of a knok.' There are some other curious entries of this kind under same date. Some offenders did not get off with a fine. Flyting or scolding women were dealt with severely. In 1471 (p. 167) it was ordered that 'quhat women at flytis, fechtis, or sklandaris gud menys wyffis dochteris,' are to be led to the four gates of the town with two stones hanging in an iron chain from their shoulder—a species of perambulating pillory. The extracts offered on these and other points in social economy, during a period extending over centuries, painfully enlighten us on three things, — the extraordinary degree of arbitrary power which was exercised by the burgh authorities, the prodigious ignorance and narrow-mindedness concerning the principles of commercial, and it may be said public, well-being, and the wretched state of manners and morals prevalent in what are fancifully spoken of as the 'good old times.'

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SEAL OF THE ROYAL BURGH OF PEEBLES.

CHARTERS AND DOCUMENTS

RELATING TO

THE BURGH OF PEEBLES.

1165—1641.

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I.

Assise of King William the Lion ordaining the two chief Courts of the Justiciar to be held yearly at Edinburgh or at Peebles. Between 1165 and 1214.

De duobus placitis Justiciarii annuatim tenendis.

STATUIT dominus Rex communi consilio regni sui quod duo placita Justiciarii capitalia annuatim teneantur apud Edinburgh vel Peblis. Ita scilicet quod omnes tenentes in capite de domino Rege existentes in regno ibidem debent comparere et omni essonio excepto nisi fuerit de certa egritudine vel servicio domini Regis vel amissione terre ad judicium faciendum seu causis subitaneis que de novo emergunt quibus non poterit provideri ad certificandum Justiciarium super illis de quibus dubitat.

Of the tua hed mutis of the Justice to be haldyn.

The Kyng has ordanit thru the counsal of his kynrik that the twa hed mutis of the Justice salbe haldin yerly at Edinburgh or Peblis sua that is to say that al thai that haldis in cheff of the kyng beand wythin the kynrik thar aw to comper essonye outan bot gif it be of certan seiknes or the kyngis service or tynsel of the land at iugement to be mad or els in sodan cases the quhilkis newly hapnis of the quhilkis it micht nocht be foresene to certify the Justice apon matteris of the quhilkis he doutis.

II.

BREVE by Alexander the Third to the Bailies of Peebles commanding them to cause inquest be made regarding the possession of the Moss of Waltamshope formerly granted to the Burgesses of Peebles. Lanark, 7 October 1262.

ALEXANDER dei gratia Rex Scottorum Eymero de Mackisuuell dilecto et fideli suo vicecomiti et balliuis suis de Pebblys salutem: Mandamus vobis firmiter precipientes quatinus per probos fideles liberos et legales homines patrie diligenter et fideliter inquiri faciatis si Robertus Cruik deforciet burgensibus nostris de Pebblys petariam nostram de Waltamshope ab bone memorie domino rege Alexandro patre nostro ut dicunt et postmodum a nobis sibi concessam et si idem Robertus terram nostram et communem pasturam dictorum burgensium nostrorum arraverit vel aliquo alio modo injuste occupaverit; et dictam inquisicionem diligenter et fideliter factam sub sigillo vestro una cum sigillis aliquorum qui dicte inquisicioni intererunt faciende nobis quamcicius poteritis mitti faciatis et hoc breve. Teste me ipso apud Lanark vij° die Octobris anno regni nostri xiiij.

ALEXANDER by the grace of God King of Scots: To his beloved and faithful Eymer de Mackisuuell his sheriff and his bailies of Pebblys greeting. We command and firmly enjoin that ye cause inquisition to be diligently and faithfully made by honest faithful free and lawful men of the country whether Robert Cruik has deforced our burgesses of Peebles of our moss of Waltamshope granted to them as they say by our father Lord Alexander, King, of good memory, and afterwards by us, and whether the said Robert has tilled or in any other way unjustly occupied our land and the common pasture of our said burgesses; and that ye cause the said inquisition diligently and faithfully made to be sent to us as speedily as possible under your seal, together with the seals of the others who make the said inquisition, and this brieve. Witness myself at Lanark the seventh day of October in the fourteenth year of our reign.

III.

DELIVERANCE made by the Inquest appointed under Breve by the King regarding the Moss of Waltamshope. Peebles 15th October 1262

APUD PEBBLYS die Sancti Leonardi anni gratie millesimi ducentesimi sexagesimi secundi, Archebaldus de Hopkelioc, Alexander de Wynkistun, Ricardus Fermarius, Clemens de Hopkelioc, Rogerus le Kedistun, Michael de Kedistun, Rogerus Ortolanus, Archebaldus de Hundwaluchishope, Adam de Stobhou, Thomas Faber, Ricardus filius Godardi, Gauri Pluchan, Willelmus Pastor, Walterus Pastor, Johannes Modi, Robertus Gladhoc, Cokinus Faber, Adam Hacsmall, Jurati dixerunt quod burgenses de Pebblys foderunt petas suas in petaria de Waltamshope, et quod Robertus Croke dictas petas violavit secuit et fregit et petas ducere impedivit, et quod unum equum cepit cum brueria, et precium equi quod est quatuor solidi et precium bruerie quod est unus denarius, detinet adhuc tanquam suam escaetam, dicens quod est sua escaeta, eo quod dictam brueriam in communa sua eradicarunt: dicti autem burgenses precium dicti equi et bruerie cum servientibus domini Regis et baroniis peterunt ad vadium et ad plegium quod non potuerunt habere quia dixit quod sit sua escaeta. Dicti autem jurati dixerunt quod dictus

AT PEBBLYS on the day of Saint Leonard in the year of grace one thousand two hundred and sixty two, Archibald de Hopkelioc, Alexander de Wynkistun, Richard Farmer, Clement of Hopkelioc, Roger Keddistun, Michael of Kedistun, Roger Gardiner, Archibald of Hundwaluchishope, Adam of Stobhou, Thomas Smith, Richard the son of Goddard, Gauri Pluchan, William Shepherd, Walter Shepherd, John Modi, Robert Gladhoc, Cokin Smith, Adam Hacsmall, being sworn said that the burgesses of Pebblys dug their peats in the moss of Waltamshope, and that Robert Croke spoiled cut up and broke the said peats and prevented them from being led, and that he seized a horse with heath, and still detains the price of the horse which is four shillings, and the price of the heath, which is a penny, as his escheat, saying that it is his escheat because the said heath was plucked in his common. The said burgesses likewise asked from the servants of our lord the king and the barons the price of the said horse and heath in pledge, which they could not receive because he said that it was his escheat. The said jurors likewise said that the said

Robertus Cruke edificavit aulam suam ubi homines domini Regis solebant communare. Idem Robertus aravit super communam de Peblis ut dicti jurati dixerunt.

Robert Cruke built his hall where the men of our Lord the King were wont to have their common. Also the said Robert ploughed upon the common of Peblis as the said jurors said.

IV.

GRANT by the Abbot and Convent of Arbroath, to William called Maceon, burgess of Peebles, of their land in the Burgh of Peebles. A.D. 1317.

NOTUM SIT omnibus Christi fidelibus presens scriptum visuris uel audituris quod nos, frater Bernardus, permissione diuina abbas de Aberbrothoc, et eiusdem loci conuentus, de expresso consensu tocius capituli nostri, damus, concedimus et presenti carta nostra confirmamus, Willelmo dicto Maceon burgensi de Peblis, et heredibus suis, totam terram nostram quam habemus in burgo de Peblis iacentem inter terram Johannis de Lacu ex parte australi, ex parte vna, et terram Johannis filii Willelmi ex parte boriali, ex parte altera, quam Laurencius de Wedayl de nobis tenuit, et quam idem Laurencius coram fidedignis per fustum et baculum nobis sursum reddidit, ac totum jus et clameum quod in dicta terra habuit, vel quoquo modo habere potuit, pro se et heredibus suis omnino resignauit in perpetuum. TENENDAM ET HABENDAM dicto Willelmo et heredibus suis in liberum bur-

BE IT KNOWN to all the faithful of Christ who may see or hear the present writing, that we brother Bernard, by divine permission abbot of Arbroath, and the convent of that place, with the express consent of our whole chapter, give grant and by our present charter confirm to William called Maceon, burgess of Peebles, and his heirs, our whole land which we have in the burgh of Peebles, lying between the land of John of Lake on the south, on the one part, and the land of John Williamson on the north, on the other part, which Laurence of Wedayl held of us, and which the said Laurence before honest men by staff and baton rendered up to us, and all right and claim which he had in the said land or might have in any manner, he for himself and his heirs for ever entirely resigned. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, to the said William and his heirs in free burgage of us and our successors, with all

gagium de nobis et successoribus nostris, cum omnibus commoditatibus asiamentis et iustis pertinenciis suis; salua nobis et successoribus nostris iusticia regalitatis et aliis placitis nostris in dicta terra cum voluerimus tenendis. REDDENDO inde nobis et successoribus nostris dictus Willelmus et heredes sui duos solidos argenti singulis annis ad festum Sancte Trinitatis, et inueniendo abbati de Aberbrothoc qui pro tempore fuerit et eius monachis conuersis et clericis, balliuis et actornatis eorundem, venientibus pro negociis et causis monasterii, quociens aduenerint, singulis secundum statum suum, cum familia sua, honestum hospicium, aulam in qua honeste comedere poterunt, cum mensa trestulis et aliis apparatibus, spensam cum butellario, cameram seu cameras ubi honeste recubare poterunt, coquinam honestam, et stabulum pro equis suis; inuenient eciam in aduentibus predictis personis sufficienter focale, tam in aula et in camera quam in coquina; albas candelas de sepo que vulgariter nuncupantur *candele de Paris*, lecterium stramentum in aula et camera, et sal pro mensis. Preterea cum nuncii vel cursores abbatis interuenerint ad hospitandum sine contradictione admittentur, ad sumptus tamen pro cibariis suis idem Willelmus et heredes sui non tenebuntur. Dictus eciam Willelmus seu heredes sui nullo modo terram et hostilagium predictum vendent impignorabunt seu alienabunt, vel ad firmam dimittent alicui persone, nisi de consensu predictorum abbatis et conuentus

commodities easements and just pertinents; reserving to us and our successors the right of holding courts of regality and others our pleas on the said lands when we will. PAYING therefor to us and our successors, the said William and his heirs, two shillings of silver in each year at the feast of the holy Trinity, and finding honest lodging for the Abbot of Arbroath, who shall be for the time, and for his monks associates and clerks their bailies and attornies coming for the business and causes of the monastery, as often as they shall arrive, each according to his station, with their domestics, a hall in which they may becomingly eat, with a table trestles and other furniture, a spence with a buttery, a chamber or chambers where they may comfortably sleep, a decent kitchen and a stable for their horses; they shall provide also on the coming of the foresaid persons sufficient fuel as well in the hall and chamber as in the kitchen, white candles of tallow which are commonly called *candles of Paris*, straw or rushes for the hall and chamber, and salt for the tables. Moreover, when the messengers or runners of the abbot shall come to dwell there they shall be admitted without gainsaying, but the said William and his heirs shall not be liable for the cost of their food. Also the said William or his heirs shall in no manner sell impledge alienate or let to farm to any person the foresaid land and hostilage except with the

qui pro tempore fuerint. In cuius rei testimonium presenti carte commune sigillum capituli nostri concorditer fecimus apponi. Teste eodem capitulo. Anno gracie millesimo trecentesimo septimo decimo.

consent of the foresaid abbot and convent for the time. In testimony whereof we with one consent have caused the common seal of our chapter to be affixed to this present charter. Witness the same chapter. In the year of grace one thousand three hundred and seventeen.

V.

Letters by King David II., charging the Community of Peebles to assign a stance in the common muir to build a chapel. Edinburgh, 8th March, 1362-3.

Dauid, Dei gracia Rex Scottorum: Balliuis burgi de Peblys burgensibusque et communitati burgi eiusdem, salutem. Sciatis quod concessimus dilecto ac fideli nostro [fratri] Johanni de Peblys, magistro hospitalis eiusdem, locum siue spacium competens in communi dicti burgi ad construendum et edificandum quandam capellam [in] honore gloriose Virginis Dei genitricis Marie. Quare vobis mandamus et precipimus quatinus locum spacii quadraginta octo pedum in longitudine et viginti quatuor pedum in latitudine, eidem Johanni infra dictam communem assignetis, vbi dicta capella competencius valeat edificari; et hoc sub pena que competitere [poterit] nullatenus omittatis. Datum sub sigillo nostro apud Edinburgh, octavo die Marcii, anno regni nostri tricesimo tercio.

David by the grace of God King of Scots: To the bailies of the burgh of Peblys, and to the burgesses and community of the same burgh, greeting. Know ye that we have granted to our beloved and faithful, brother John of Peblys, master of the hospital thereof, a fitting place or stance in the common ground of the said burgh for constructing and building a certain chapel in honour of the glorious Virgin Mary the mother of God. Wherefore we strictly charge and command you to assign to the said John within the said common land a place of the extent of forty-eight feet in breadth and twenty-four feet in length, where the said chapel can be fitly built; and this in nowise ye leave undone under all competent penalty. Given under our seal at Edinburgh the eighth day of March in the thirty-third year of our reign.

VI.

INDENTURE between the Bailies and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, and Sir William Adesoun and Sir William Medilmaste, as to the altar of St Michael in St Andrew's Kirk of Peebles. Peebles, 4th February, 1444-5.

THIS INDENTUR, made at Peblis the ferde day of Februher the yher of our Lorde a thowsand fowr hundreth fowrty and fowr yheris, betwix nowbil and worschipfull men the balyheis the burges and the hale communite of the burgh of Peblis on the ta parte, and Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste vicaris of Lyntoun in Rothryke and of Selkyrke Regis on the tother parte, proportis contenys and beris witnes, in forme and effec as efter folowis, that is to say, that the said Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham has made stabilist and ordanyt, and be this present indentur makis stabilisis and ordanys, for thaim and thair ayris for euirmair, the balyheis for thair tyme beand, quha that euir hapyn to be, the burges and the hale communite of the said burgh of Peblis, keparis vphaldaris and verray lauchfull tutowrys of the landis annuale-rentis and possessiownys and al hale anowrnmentis, quhat euir thai be, that the said Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham has gefyn or sal gefe to the altar of Saynt Michaele within Saynt Androis Kyrk of Peblis, to the service of a chapellane thar perpetualy to say mes efter the valow of the rentis and the possessiownys gefyn tharto, in honowr of Almichty God, Mary his moder and Saynt Michael, for the hele of the body and the sawl of Jamys kyng of Scottis, for his forbearis and successowris Kyngis of Scottis, for the balyheis the burges and the communite of the burgh of Peblis, and for the hele of thair awn sawlis, thair faderis sawlis, thair moderis sawlis, thair kyn sawlis, and al christyn sawlis. And the said balyheis, the burges and the hale communite of the said burgh of Peblis, for thaim and thair successowris burges of Peblis in tyme to cum, has oblist thaim fyrst til Almichti God, Mary his moder and til Saynt Michael, in vertu of thair Christyndom, and syne til Sir Wilyham and Sir Wilyham be the trowthis of thair bodyis, that thai sal kepe and gar kepe at thair gudly power buke vestment chalis and al other anowrnments left or to be left til the said

altar; and that thar sal na anowrnment of that altar be lent til na other altar na til na place, sawfand buke and chalis within the kyrk quhen it may gudly be forgane fra the service of the said altar; and that thai sal manteine and defend al rentis and possessiownys that ar left til the forsaid altar with hale commoun consent, and ilk man syndri, as thai do for thair awn heritage and fredomys of the town with cost of the self gif it hapynnis. And at the court efter Pasch the balyheis and the burges sal ordane the chapellane that thai fee to tak and rayse the malys annuale-rentis and possessiownys that ar left or sal be left til Saynt Michaelis altar with help of the balyheis as thai think thair is cause; and thai sal thar ordane the chapellane or quham other that thai think best, to reperele the hows quhen thai myster with cost of the self. And it is ordanyt be the said balyheis burges and communite and Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste at thair sal na man play at the cathe on the said howsis, the quhilkis ar gefyn til Saynt Michaelis altar, and gif ony takis on hand to do the contrary and play on thaim, the said balyheis burges and communite ar oblist as befor, als oft as thai play on thaim, thai sal tak and rayse of ilkane of thaim a pund of wax, but favour or forgifnes, to be departyt evinly be the balyheis and the vicar or his chapellane to be brynt on Saynt Androis altar and Saynt Michaellis in Goddis service. And quhat chapellane that Sir Wilyham Adesoun puttis in that service, als lang as he makis gud service, sal be feit yherly be the balyheis and the burges at the court efter Pasche; and gif he defawtis in his service, and will nocht amend his defawt at thair ordinans, he sal be remufyt at thair wil and thai sall fee ane other. And it is ordanyt that it sal nocht be gefyn na grawntyt til na rentyt man, na til na man for terme of lyfe, bot yherly to be feit at the next court haldyn efter Pasche; and na man sal be feit til it bot he that duellis within the town of Peblis, and he sal hafe na other service bot it oles na it be nocht ten markis; and gif it falyheis of ten markis, as God willand it sal nocht, he sal, at the balyheis and the burges ordinans, tak quhil he hafe ten markis; and the balyheis at that court sal tak hym oblyst to kepe al anowrnments of the altar, the quhilkis thai sal delyver hym be ane indentur made betwix the balyheis and hym, and gif it hapynnis ony of the anowrnments to be analyit stollyn or paryt in his defawt because of wrang yhemsale, otherwise than resonabil weryng in Goddis service on Saynct Michaelis altar, he sal amend thaim and mak thaim als gud and sufficient as thai war quhen he resauit thaim; and the balyheis sal

tak sekirnes of this condicioun in playn court at his feyng. And thar sal na man be feit thairtil bot he that can sufficiandly syng playn sang to help Goddis service, to be done quhen or quhar that the vicar, or he that beris cur vnder him within Saynct Androwis kyrk, ordanys Goddis service to be done in honour of God Almichty, his moder Mary and Saynct Michael, in plesans of the parischyn batht to lyfe and sawl. And gif it hapynnis that chapellane that beis feit til that service to absent hym fra the service of the kyrk, the quhilk is done with note be the vicar or ony in his name, and he cum nocht to the begynnyng of the hee mes, he sal pay fowr penys and cum he nocht to begynning of evensang he sal pay fowr penys, and for complene twa penys, and quhen matynys ar done with note, be he fra the begynnyng of thaim he sal pay fowr penys, and for ilk howr twa penys; and be he fra the begynnyng of the resurrecioun on Pasche day he sal pay sex penys; and thir defawtis sal be tane of his fee and raysyt be the balyheis and the vicar, or hym that beris cur vnder the vicar, and be departyt evinly betwix the balyheis and the vicar, and the tane half brynt on the hee altar in wax and the tother half on Saynct Michaelis altar for owtyn forgifnes. And gif it hapynnis that the balyheis the burges and the communite fee ony chapellane for meide, prayer, cusynage, or alya or for ony cause, that can nocht sufficiandly syng playn sang, the vicar or his chapellane that beris cur of the parischyn vnder the vicar sal remufe hym and fee ane other chapellane that can sufficiandly syng, to help Goddis service to be done for that yher, and pay hym deuly his fee of the annualis and the rentis pertinand to the said altar; and the next yher the balyheis the burges and the communite sal fee a sufficiand chapellane as is befor wryttyn, and als oft as thai fee ane vnsufficiand chapellane that can nocht syng playn sang he sal remufit be the vicar or his chapellane and hafe na fee. And quhat chapellane that servis, quhen he passis til the lauatory efter the Wangel, sal say for Sir Wilyham Adesoun, Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, thair fadevis sawlis, thair moderis sawlis, for al that thai ar oblist to pray for and for al Christyn sawlis, the *De profundis*, and he sal wryte the day of the obyte in the mes buke of Sir Wilyham Adesoun, and the day of the obite of Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, and say at evin *Placebo* and *Dirige* for ilk ane of thaim syndry, and on the morn mes of the *Requiem*. And that al thingis befor wryttyn lely and trewly, but frawde or gyle, sal be kepyt, the forsaid partis has gefyn bodily thair trowthis til other. And in the witnes tharof the commoun sele of the said burgh of Peblis in name of

commoun assent, with the sele of Wil Bullok than beand balyhe, with the selys of other syndre burges, togidder with the selys of the said Sir Wilyham Adesoun and Sir Wilyham Medilmaste, to the partis of this indentur interchangeably ar sett day yher and place befor wryttyn. And the chapellane that servis at Sanct Michaelis altar sal hafe ten markis of fee and vj schillingis and viij d. til brede and wyne, and sal set al the landis with the balyheis and the burges consent, but fraude or gyle, als der as he may, and gader in the malys and the anwellis to hald up the howsis tharwith, and hafe xx schillingis for his labour, and gif cownt til the balyheis and thair cownsel on the Lammes day next efter the Witsounday of the gadering in of the malis; and al that excedis the chargis befor wryttyn sal be gevin til Wilyham of Peblis qwhil he levis, and efter his decess til the balyheis, to by anornamentis til the altar of Sanct Michael as thai wil answer on the day of Dome befor owr Lord Jhesu Criste, etc.

VII.

Charter by Sir John Blounte, rector of Lyne, to the Burgh of Peblis, of a tenement in the Northgate of Peblis. Peebles, 20th April 1448.

OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris uel audituris dominus Johannes Blounte, rector de Lyne, salutem in Domino sempiternam; Noveritis me, non vi aut metu ductum nec errore lapsum, sed mea mera pura et spontanea voluntate, dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta mea confirmasse toti et uniuerse communitati burgi de Peblis, pro suis benemeritis et beneficiis michi multipliciter impensis et impendendis, totam et integram terram meam cum pertinentiis, jacentem in burgo de Peblis in vico vulgariter dicto *le Northgate*

TO ALL who shall see or hear this charter, Sir John Blounte, rector of Lyne, sends eternal greeting in the Lord. Know ye me, not induced by force or fear nor deceived, but of my mere pure and free will, to have given, granted, and by this my charter confirmed, to all and singular the community of the burgh of Peblis, for their manifold good deeds and benefits done and to be done to me, all and whole my land with the pertinents lying within the burgh of Peblis, in the street commonly called the Northgate, on the west side of the street thereof, between the tenement

ex occidentali parte vici eiusdem, inter tenementum magistri Roberti de Peblis ex parte australi, ex parte vna, et tenementum domini Johannis Symsoun capellani ex parte boreali, ex parte altera: TENENDAM ET HABENDAM totam et integram predictam terram cum pertinentiis prefate communitati et successoribus suis, burgensibus burgi de Peblis, a me et heredibus meis et assignatis, de domino nostro rege in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas antiquas et diuisas suas prout jacet in longitudine et latitudine, in domibus edificiis muris lapide et calce ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis commoditatibus libertatibus et aisiamentis ac iustis pertinentiis suis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam sub terra quam supra terram, tam procul quam prope, ad predictam terram cum pertinentiis spectantibus seu iuste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, adeo libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace, sine retenemento uel reuocacione aliquali, sicut aliqua terra infra regnum Scocie alicui per aliquem liberius quiecius integrius aut honorificencius conceditur seu alienatur aut concedi uel alienari qualitercunque, poterit in futurum: REDDENDO inde annuatim dicta communitas de Peblis et successores sui, burgenses de Peblis, domino nostro Regi, firmam burgi debitam et consuetam tantum, pro omni alio onere exaccione demanda seu seruicio seculari, que de predicta terra cum pertinentiis per quoscunque iuste exigi poterunt quomo-

of Master Robert of Peblis on the south side, on the one part, and the tenement of Sir John Symsoun, chaplain, on the north side, on the other part: TO HOLD and TO HAVE all and whole the foresaid land, with the pertinents, to the foresaid community and their successors, burgesses of the burgh of Peblis, from me and my heirs and assignees, of our lord the king, in fee and heritage for ever, by all its right marches, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in houses, buildings, muirs, stone and lime, and with all other and singular commodities, liberties, and easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well far as near, to the foresaid land with the pertinents belonging, or that can in any way justly belong in time coming, as freely, quietly, fully wholly, honourably, well and in peace, without any reservation or revocation whatever, in like manner as any other land within the kingdom of Scotland is freely, quietly, fully or honourably granted or alienated to any person by any person, or can in any way be granted or alienated for ever: GIVING therefor yearly, the said community of Peblis and their successors, burgesses of Peblis, to our lord the king, burgh farm used and wont only, for all other burden, exaction, demand, or secular service which can by any person be in any way justly exacted or required from the

dolibet uel requiri: In cuius rei testimonium sigillum meum huic presenti carte mee est appensum, coram hiis testibus, Willelmo Bullo, balliuo de Peblis, Johanne Dekysoun, Thoma Dekysoun, Willelmo de Peblis, Thoma de Louch et Johanne Uschar, burgensibus eiusdem burgi, Domino Roberto Burr perpetuo vicario de Peblis, Magistro Johanne Wach et Domino Thoma Hardkneis publicis notariis, cum multis aliis, apud Peblis vicesimo die Aprilis, anno Domini millesimo cccc^mo. xlviij°.

foresaid land, with the pertinents: In witness whereof my seal is appended to this present charter before these witnesses, William Bullo, baillie of Peblis, John Dekysoun, Thomas Dekysoun, William of Peblis, Thomas of Louch, and John Uschar, burgesses of the said burgh, Sir Robert Burr, perpetual vicar of Peblis, Master John Wach, and Sir Thomas Hardkneis, notaries public, with many others, at Peblis, the twentieth day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and forty eight.

VIII.

Indenture between the Bailies and Burgesses of Peebles and Sir William Adesoun, ordaining an obit of masses to be done at St Michael's Altar and Our Lady's Altar in St Andrew's Church of Peebles. Peebles, 3d September, 1450.

This indentur, made at Peblis the thrid day of September the yere of our Lorde a thowsand four hundreth and fyfty yheris, betuix honorabil and worschipfull men the balyeis and the burgeis of Peblis on the ta part, and Sir Wilyam Adeson of Peblis on the tothir part, proportis contenis and beris witnes at the said Sir Wilyam, in honour of Jhesu Criste, Mary his moder and madyn, and of al the Sanctis of Hevin, bas ordanit ane obit of messis to be don in Sant Androis kyrk at Sant Michaellis altare, and our Lady altare euirmar, on the thrid day of Junii, with *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the evin befor; and quhen it hapynnis the thrid day to fal on Settirday or on Sonday, or ony solempnit haly day fal on the thrid day the messis sal be delayd quhil the Monnday with *Placebo* and *Dirige* on the Sonday at evin befor. The first mes sal be of the Trinite, with a collec for our richtwis Pape vndir a *Per Dominum,* that God len hym gras to govern al

cristyn folk in sekir and stedfast trowth, that he and thai be sauf quhen thai hyne pas. The secund mes sal be of our Lady, with a collec for the Bischop, the quhilk beris cure of our saulis, that God len hym gras and al that beris cure of saulis to govern swa that it be lovabil til God and schendschip til the fende. The thrid mes sal be of the Sprete, with a collec for the Kyng and the Qwene, that God len hym gras, and al that beris office vndir hym within the realm of Scotland, to lede the lawis sa evinly at the comownis may leve with thair awn and the kynrik kepit in fredom. The ferd mes sal be of the Cors, with a collec for the Dene and the Chanownis of Glasgu, that God graunt thaim gras to govern thaim and al at thai bere cure of, at God be payd of thaim quhen thai hyne pas. The fift mes sal be of Sant Michael, with a collec for the balyheis and the communite of Peblis, that God send thaim art and part of messis, matynis and al gud prayeris, the quhilkis is don in this kyrk or ony othir placis. The sext mes sal be the mes of *Salus Populi*, with a collec for al our gud doaris, and for al that ar dede werand on Goddis enmys, and for al that reparellis this altare or ekis Goddis seruice here to be don or in ony othir places. The sevind mes sal be of the Requiem for Sir Wilyam Medilmaste, Sir Thomas of Peblis, Sir Wilyam Adeson, thair faderis and moderis saulis, and for all cristyn saulis, with *Deus indulgenciarum* et *Omnipotens sempiterne Deus vnica salus* vndir a *per Dominum*. The auchtand mes sal be of the Requiem for the saulis of Adam Robertson and Marion, with *Inclina Domine* and *Quesumus Domine pro tua* vndir a *Per Dominum*. The nynde mes sal be of the Requiem for the saulis of al thaim qwhais bodys beis beryst in this kyrk or kyrkyhard, and generaly for al cristyn saulis with *Deus cuius miseracione et Fidelium Deus* vndir a *Per Dominum*. The first mes sal be don at Sant Michaellis altare, the secund at our Lady altare, the thrid at Sant Michaellis altare, the ferd at our Lady altare, the fift at Sant Michaellis altare, the sext at our Lady altare, and the thre last messis sal be don of the Requiem at Sant Michaellis altare, and the last with note. And quha that euir he be that is chapellane sal ches aucht til hym and the parisch clerk, with consent of the balyheis, gif myster be, the quhilkis ar playn sangstaris, and nane sal ga to the mes at our Lady altare quhil thai hafe sacrit at Sant Michaellis altare, na to the mes at Sant Michaellis altare quhil thai hafe sacrit at our Lady altare; and the chapellane servand at Sant Michaellis altare sal warne thaim as thai sal ga to; and

quhen the last mes is don he sal gef ilkane of thaim twelf penys; and gif ony gais til the mes agayn his ordinans he sal hafe na fee, bot that at suld be gevin til hym sal be brynt in wax on Sant Michaellis altare. And that al thir condiciownis and poyntmentis forsaid lely and treuly sal be kepit aythir of thir partis til othir ar oblist be the faythis of thair bodyis of the said Sir Wilyhamis costis. In the witnes of the quhilkis the comon sele of Peblis, and the sele of the forsaid Sir Wilyam Adeson, til thir indenturis interchangeabily ar to hwngyn, yhere, day and place befor wryttyn. And this sowm of ten schillingis, quhilk sal be payd til the nyne chapellanis and the parisch clerk, sal be tane yerly of the first malys and anwel rentis quhilkis sal be tane yerly and raysit of Sant Michaellis service of the terme of Witsonday.

IX.

Charter by King James the Second to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, confirming the infeftments, liberties, and possessions granted to them by previous Kings. Edinburgh 5th February 1451-2.

Jacobus Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus tocius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem: Sciatis nos lamentabilem querelam et propositionem conburgensium et communitatis burgi nostri de Peblis qualiter, antiquis retroactis temporibus per guerrarum discrimina et ignium incendia carte euidencie et singule sue litere infeodacionis, predecessoribus suis et eis super infeodacione et libertatibus dicti Burgi nostri per antecessores nostros reges regni nostri concesse et facte destructe combuste et adnullate extiterant, intellexisse; Idcirco noueritis nos, pro zelo et singulare fauore quem

James, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all good men of his whole land clergy and laity, greeting: Know ye that we have understood the mournful complaint and proposition of the co-burgesses and community of our burgh of Peblis that in times long past, by the hazards of war and by fire, the charters evidents and several deeds of infeftment granted and made to their predecessors and them upon the infeftment and liberties of our said burgh by our ancestors, kings of our kingdom, had been destroyed, burned, and annulled; Therefore know ye for the zeal and singular favour which we bear to the burgesses and community of the said

gerimus erga burgenses et communitatem dicti burgi, approbasse ratificasse ac pro nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris et regni nostri regibus imperpetuum confirmasse, dictis conburgensibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis, omnes illas et singulas infeodaciones libertates saisinas et possessiones, eis et dicto burgo nostro per antecessores nostros factas et concessas super infeodacionibus et libertatibus dicti burgi, de curiis, burgensium confectionibus, suorumque conburgensium et inhabitancium replegiacionibus, de firma burgali, de custumis minoribus, curiarum eschaetis et amerciamentis, officiariorum electionibus confectionibus, et approbacionibus, transgressorum punicionibus, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, ac locis molendinorum, de aquis piscationibus aucupacionibus et venacionibus, quantum antecessoribus nostris ante infeodacionem dicti burgi nostri spectabat seu pertinebat; cum communibus pasturis et libero introitu et exitu, videlicet, de le Kingis Mure, de Cadmure, de Hommildoune et de Venlau, cum pertinentiis, ac communi pastura cum libero introitu et exitu in terris de Glentars a solis ortu vsque ad occasum eiusdem; quasquidem communes pasturas de Kingis Mure, Cadmure, Homyldoune, Venlau, et Glentars cum pertinentiis, ac libero introitu et exitu, dicto burgo nostro de Peblis et communitati eiusdem et eorum successoribus approbamus et annexamus imperpetuum: TENENDUM ET HABENDUM dictum burgum de Peblis in burgo et burgagiis

burgh, to have approved, ratified, and for us our heirs and successors and the kings of our kingdom for ever confirmed to the said burgesses and community of our said burgh of Peebles all and singular the infeftments, liberties, susines, and possessions made and granted to them and our said burgh by our ancestors upon the infeftments and liberties of the said burgh, of courts, creation of burgesses, and repledging of their co-burgesses and inhabitants, of the burgh ferme, petty customs, escheats and amerciaments of courts, electing creating and approving of officers, punishing transgressors, mills, multures and their sequels and places of mills, of waters, fishings, fowlings and huntings so far as belonged or pertained to our ancestors before the infeftment of our said burgh; with common pastures and free ish and entry, to wit, of the King's Muir of Cadmure, of Homyldoune, and Venlau, with the pertinents, and common pasture with free ish and entry to the lands of Glentars from the rising of the sun until the going down of the same; which common pastures of the King's Muir, Cademur, Homyldoune, Venlau, and Glentars, with the pertinents and free ish and entry we approve and for ever annex to our said burgh of Peebles and community of the same and their successors; TO HAVE and TO HOLD the said Burgh of Peebles in burgh and

predictis comburgensibus et communitati nostris de nobis heredibus et successoribus nostris in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per rectas metas antiquas et diuisas suas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine; ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus prenominatis, commoditatibus priuilegiis pasturis molendinis multuris ac viarum et semitarum communium exercionibus pro focalibus et aliis vtilitatibus et proficuis dicto burgo et communitati ducendis sine obstaculo quocunque circa commorancium, tam sub terra quam supra terram, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam prope quam procul, ad infeodacionem dicti burgi antiquitus spectantibus seu de jure spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, adeo libere et quiete integre plenarie honorifice bene et in pace, sine retinemento uel renocatione aliquali, sicut dicti comburgenses nostri dictum burgum nostrum, cum omnibus supradictis preuilegiis et libertatibus, liberius quiecius integrius honorificencius, antiquis et retroactis temporibus de nobis et antecessoribus nostris possederunt seu tenuerunt, vel sicut aliqui [burgenses] regni nostri suos burgos et burgagia tenent et possident, tenuerunt seu possederunt; REDDENDO inde annuatim dicti conburgenses et [communitas] burgi de Peblis et sui successores qui pro tempore fuerint, nobis et successoribus [nostris, in] scaccario nostro, duodecim marcas vsualis monete [regni Scocie nomine annui reddi]tus, et viginti sex solidos et octo denarios predicte monete magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi juxta burgum de Peblis [in puram et perpetuam elimo]sinam, pro

burgages, to the five said coburgesses and community of us and our heirs and successors in fee and heritage for ever, by their ancient just meiths and marches as they lie in length and breadth; and with all other and singular liberties beforenamed commodities, privileges, pastures, mills, multures, and use of roads and common paths for leading fuel and other uses and profit to the said burgh and community without any obstacle whatever to the inhabitants, as well under the earth as above the earth, as well near as far, belonging, or of right known to belong, to the old infeftment of the said burgh in any way for ever, as freely and quietly, wholly, fully, honourably, well, and in peace, without any retainment or revocation, as our said coburgesses possessed or held our said burgh freely, quietly, wholly, honourably, in ancient and past times, of us and our ancestors, or as any burgesses of our kingdom hold or may hold and possess their burghs and burgesses. GIVING therefor yearly the said coburgesses and community of the burgh of Peebles, and their successors for the time, to us and our successors in our treasury, twelve merks usual money of the kingdom of Scotland, in name of annualrent, and twenty-six shillings and eight pennies of the foresaid money to the master of the hospital of St Leonard,

salute anime nostre et animarum antecessorum et successorum nostrorum, regni Scocie regum tantum pro omni alio onere exactione [seruicio] seu demanda que de dicto burgo per nos aut successores nostros reges Scocie exigi poterit quoquomodo seu requiro. In cuius rei testimonium p[resenti carte] nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendis in Cristo patribus, Willelmo et Thoma Glasguensis et Candidecase ecclesiarum episcopis; Willelmo domino Creichtoun, nostro cancellario et consanguineo predilecto; dilectis consanguineis nostris Willelmo domino Somerville, Patricio domino Glammis; Magistris Johanne Arous archidiacono Glasguensi, et Georgio de Schoriswode, rectore de Cultre. Apud Edinburgh, quinto die mensis Februarii anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo quinquagesimo primo et regni nostri decimo quinto.

near the burgh of Peebles, in pure and perpetual alms, for the health of our soul and the souls of our ancestors and successors, kings of Scotland, only, for all other burden, exaction, question, or demand, which can in any way be asked or required from the said burgh by us or our successors, kings of Scotland. In witness whereof, we have ordered our great seal to be appended to our present charter. Witnesses, the reverend fathers in Christ, William and Thomas bishops of the churches of Glasgow and Galloway; William, lord Creichtoun, our chancellor and wellbeloved cousin; our beloved cousins, William, lord Somerville, Patrick, lord Glammis; masters John Arous, archdeacon of Glasgow, and George of Schoriswode, rector of Cultre. At Edinburgh, the fifth day of the month of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and fifty-one, and in the fourteenth of our reign.

X.

Letters by King James the Third, under his Privy Seal, freeing the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Burgh of Peebles from appearing in the courts of the King's Forest at Ettrick. Edinburgh, 28th October 1473.

James, be the grace of God, King of Scottis: To all and sindry oure liegis and subditis quhais knaulage thir oure letteres salcum, greting: Wit ye that forsamekill as oure burgh of Peblis is ane ald fre burgh of oure realme, feft and foundit be oure progenitouris of maist noble mynde with liberteis priuileges and fre burowage like as vtheris oure burowis ar priuilegit

in tyme bigane, and thairfor quhare the burges and inhabitantis oure saide burgh has of late bene arrestit and callit be oure officiaris of oure forest of Ettrik to compeire and ansuere at the bounde courtis of oure saide forest, in hurting of thair ald fredomes and priuilegis forsaide, we haue dischargit and be thir present letteres dischargis, for ws and oure successouris, the burges and inhabitantis oure saide burgh of Peblis and thare successouris that sall inhabit the sammyn burgh of all compering and ansuering perpetualy in tyme to cum in the said bound courtis; and gif ony of the saide inhabitantis tresspassis in destructioun or taking of grene wode or deir owt of oure said forest, we will that the fawtouris and trespassouris thareof be punyst and correct and pay thare vnlawis be a knawlege of ane assise in oure Justice Are of Peblis as efferis, and in nane vthir courtis vtouth the fredomes of our said burgh: QUHARFOR we charge straitly and commandis all and sindry oure balyeis currouris officiaris and ministeris of oure saide forest of Ettrik now present and to cum that nane of thame intromit with the burges and inhabitantis forsaide in the calling or compelling of thame to ansuere in the saide bounde courtis in tyme cummyng vnder all the heast payne and charge that eftir may folow: Of the quhilkis intromitting and calling we als dischargis our saide officiaris foreuirmar be thir present letteres. GEVIN vndir oure priue seile, perpetualy to endure, at Edinburgh the xxviij day of the moneth of October the yere of oure Lord a thousande foure hundreth sevinty and thre yeris, and of our regnne the fourtene yere.

JAMES R.

XI.

GRANT by James of Tweedie of Drummelzier and others, to the Bailies, Burgesses and Community of Peebles of the patronage of St John's Altar in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew in Peebles. Peebles, 15th December 1473.

TILL all and syndri quhais knawlaige thyr present letteris sal cum: James of Tuedi of Drummelzour, William of Cokburn of Henrylande, William Vache of Dawic, Thomas of Lowis of Maner, George Elfynstoun of Henristoun and Thomas Dekisoun of Ormistoun, greting in God euirlestand: Wit ye ws till haue ouer resignit, ouer gevyn, grantid and renunsit, and be thir

present letteris, for ws our ayeris and assignais, frely giffis, ouer resignis and renuncis till the ballies burges and haile communite of the burgh of Peblis and to thair successouris, heretably and for euirmar, all and hale the patronage that we haue of the seruice and alter of Sanct John the Baptist foundit within the parische kirk of Sanct Andro within the said burgh : TO BE HALDIN and to be had all and hale the said patronage with the gift and presentatioun thairof to the saidis ballies, burges and communite of the said burgh and thair successouris fra ws and ilk ane of ws our ayeris and assignais for euirmar; and we forsuth, the saidis James, William, William, Thomas, George and Thomas, our ayeris and assignais, byndis and oblissis ws be the faithis in our bodis neuir to [clame any] richt or titil of richt properte nor possessioun in nor to the said patronage nor presentacioun of the sa[id chap]ellane to the said seruice nor alter of Sanct John, bot to be alluterly excludit and dischargit thairof and tharfra for [euir]. sa at the saidis ballies sal haue ful power to vse the said patronage and to present a chapellane to the saide seruice als oft as it vaikis : The quhilk renuncatioun and gift we mak, amittis and frely giffis ouer, becaus that the said ballies burges and communite of the saide burgh has chargit thaim and tane apon thaim the enffeftment and seruice of the alter of Sanct John within the said parish kirk of Sanct Andro within the burgh of Peblis, efter the tenour of thair infeftment of thair commoun rentis and dewiteis, all fraud, gile and disate, away put. IN WITNESS of the quhilk thing to thir present letteris all our selis ar to hungin, at Peblis the xv day of December the yer of our Lord a thousand four hundreth sevinti and thre yeris.

XII.

FOUNDATION by the Bailies and Community of Peebles of a chaplainry at the altar of St John the Baptist in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew in Peebles. Peebles, 15th December, 1473.

OMNIBUS hanc cartam visuris vel audituris, Johannes Dekisoune, Willelmus Dekisoune, balliui, ac burgenses et tota communitas burgi de Peblis, salutem

TO ALL who shall see or hear this charter, John Dekisoune, William Dekisoune bailies, and the burgesses and whole community of the burgh of Peblis, eternal

in Domino sempiternam. NOUERITIS nos, vnanimi consensu et assensu, ad laudem et honorem Dei Omnipotentis, et Beatissime Marie Virginis matris sue, Sancti Andree et Sancti Johannis Baptiste, ac omnium sanctorum Dei, pro salute animarum serenissimi principis ac domini nostri metuendissimi domini Jacobi Tercii Scotorum Regis illustrissimi, et Margarete Regine Scocie, prolumque suarum ac animarum Jacobi Tuedy de Drummelzore, Willelmi Cockburne de Henriland, Pauli de Vaich de Dawic, Patricii Lowis de Menner, Georgei Elphinstone de Henristone, et Thome Dekisone de Ormistone, ac suorum antecessorum et successorum, necnon animarum omnium qui debitum vniuerse carnis persoluerunt in guerris siue duellis inter predictas partes, aceciam animarum burgensium et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis, et animarum omnium fidelium defunctorum, dedisse concessisse et hac presenti carta nostra confirmasse Deo et Beate Marie semper Virgini, et Sancto Johanni Baptiste, et omnibus sanctis Dei, et vni capellano diuina celebranti et imperpetuum celebraturo annuatim, ad altare Sancti Johannis Baptiste situatum in ecclesia parochiali Sancti Andree de Peblis, in puram et perpetuam elimosinam, vnum annuum redditum duodecim marcarum vsualis monete Scocie exeuntium annuatim et precipiendarum, ad duos anni terminos vsuales, Penthecostis, viz., et Sancto Martini in hieme, per equales porciones, de

salvation in the Lord. Know ye us, with unanimous consent and assent, to the praise and honour of Almighty God, the most blessed virgin Mary his mother, Saint Andrew and Saint John the Baptist, and all the saints of God, for the health of the souls of the most serene prince, and our most worshipful lord, the lord James the Third, most illustrious King of Scots, and Margaret, Queen of Scotland, and their children, and of the souls of James Tuedy of Drummelzore, William Cockburne of Henriland, Paul of Vaich of Dawie, Patrick Lowis of Menner, George Elphinstone of Henristone, and Thomas Dekisone of Ormistone, and of their ancestors and successors, and also of the souls of all who have paid the debt of all flesh in wars or combats between the foresaid parties, and also of the souls of the burgesses and community of the said burgh of Peblis, and the souls of all faithful dead, to have given, granted, and by this, our present charter, confirmed to God, and Saint Mary ever Virgin, and Saint John the Baptist, and all the saints of God, and to a chaplain celebrating and for ever yearly to celebrate divine service at the altar of Saint John the Baptist, situated in the parish church of St Andrew of Peblis, in pure and perpetual alms, an annual rent of twelve merks usual money of Scotland, to be issued and taken yearly at two usual terms in the year, Whitsunday and Martinmas in winter, by equal portions, furth of all and singular our lands, mills, and rents of the

omnibus et singulis terris molendinis et redditibus nostris communitatis dicti Burgi de Peblis. TENENDUM ET HABENDUM totum et integrum predictum annuum redditum duodecim marcarum, cum pertinenciis, dicto altari et capellano ibidem diuina celebranti et imperpetuum celebraturo, pro animabus omnibus supradictis, in puram liberam et perpetuam elimosinam, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus et asiamentis ac justis pertinenciis suis quibuscunque ad dictum annuum redditum cum pertinenciis spectantibus, seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, et adeo libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace sicut aliquis annuus redditus alicui altari et capellano datur conceditur aut dari vel concedi poterit qualitercunque in futurum, ac sine aliquo retinemento reuocacione aut obstaculo aliquali. VOLUMUS eciam et concedimus quod ipsius capellani presentacio ad nos balliuos et communitatem dicti burgi de Peblis ac successores nostros imperpetuum pertineat, et infra viginti dies presentandum quociens vacauerit capellania antedicta, itaque procuratores et tutores dicti altaris Sancti Johannis Baptiste pro dicto annuo redditu ad opus eiusdem altaris et ad seruicium dicti capellani pro elemosina antedicta distringere valeant, deficiente annuo redditu predicto, recuperare possit, et per processum juris debite compellere et lucrare. Tenebitur eciam dictus capellanus qui pro tempore fuerit cum dispositus fuerit missam cotidianam celebrare, et

community of the said burgh of Peblis. TO HOLD AND TO HAVE all and whole the forsaid annual rent of twelve merks, with the pertinents, to the said altar, and to the chaplain celebrating and to celebrate divine service there for ever, for all the foresaid souls, in pure, free, and perpetual alms, with all and singular liberties, commodities, and easements and right pertinents whatsoever, to the said annual rent, with the pertinents, belonging or in any way justly known to belong, for ever, and as freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well, and in peace, as any annual rent is given or granted, or can be given or granted in any way whatsoever, in time to come to any altar and chaplain, and without any reservation, revocation, or obstacle whatever. WE WILL also and grant that the presentation of the said chaplain shall belong to us, the bailies and community of the said burgh of Pebles, and our successors for ever, to be presented to within twenty days as often as the forsaid chaplainry is vacant; and also that the procurators and guardians of the said altar of Saint John the Baptist, the foresaid annual rent being withheld, may distrain for the foresaid gift for the use of the said altar, and for the service of the said chaplain, and may enforce and recover the same by process of law. Moreover, the said chaplain for the time being, shall be bound when required to celebrate mass daily, and if he shall absent himself from the said service for

cum se absentauerit a dicto seruicio per spacium vnius mensis vacabit capellania prefata, nisi habeat licenciam, vel notorium sit pro aliis racionabilibus de causa. Necnon sepedictus capellanus tenebitur esse cantor et fore, cum suo surplicio omnibus diebus festiuis in choro et seruire ad matutinas missas et vesperas sicut alii capellani in dicta ecclesia faciunt, et prefatus capellanus tenebitur eciam in introitu cuiuslibet misse populum exhortare pro animabus predictis vt dicant vnum Pater Noster cum Salutacione Angelica. Et nos uero dicti balliui burgenses et tota communitas dicti burgi de Peblis et successores nostri, totum et integrum predictum annuum redditum duodecim marcarum cum pertinenciis adeo libere [et] quiete in omnibus et per omnia vt predictum est, antefatis altari et capellano qui pro tempore fuerit, contra omnes mortales warrantisabimus acquietabimus et imperpetuum defendemus. In cuius rei testimonium presenti carte nostre sigillum commune dicti burgi est appensum. Testibus, prouidis viris Willelmo de Peblis, Thomas Dekisoun, Johanne Madour, Johanne Murchosone, Patricio Tempil et Georgeo Dauidsone. Apud Peblis, decimo quinto die mensis Decembris, anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo septuagesimo tercio.

the space of one month the said chaplainry shall become vacant, unless he have licence, or it be notorious there are other reasonable causes. As also the said chaplain shall be bound to be chanter and to be in his surplice on all festival days in the choir, and to be present at matins, masses, and vespers, as other chaplains do in the said church, and the forsaid chaplain shall also be bound at the commencement of every mass to exhort the people to say for the said souls the Lord's Prayer with the Angelic Salutation. And we the said bailies, burgesses and whole community of the said burgh of Pebles and our successors shall warrant, acquit, and for ever defend, against all mortals, all and whole the foresaid annual rent of twelve merks with the pertinents as freely and quietly, in all and by all, as is above said, to the foresaid altar and the chaplain who shall be for the time. In witness whereof the common seal of the said burgh is appended to our present charter. Witnesses, honest men, William of Peblis, Thomas Dekisoun, John Madour, John Murchosone, Patrick Tempil, and George Davidsone. At Peblis, the fifteenth day of the month of December, in the year of God one thousand four hundred and seventy-three.

XIII.

LETTERS by King James the Third, under his Great Seal, freeing the Burgesses, Inhabitants, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles from appearing in the courts of the King's Forest of Ettrick. Edinburgh, 5th August 1480.

JACOBUS Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes litere peruenerint, salutem. NOUERITIS quia nos considerantes et clare intelligentes quod burgus noster de Peblis in liberum burgum regni nostri, per nostros serenissimos predicessores Scotorum Reges, cum libertatibus et priuilegiis in libero burgagio fundatur et infeodatur, consimiliter ut ceteri burgi regni nostri cum priuilegiis burgalibus temporibus elapsis infeodantur; ex cuius burgi de Peblis conburgensium et communitatis lamentabili relacione concepimus et querela quod ipsi conburgenses et communitas ac inhabitatores eiusdem diuersis temporibus exactis et noviter arrestati attachiati et vocati per officiarios nostros Foreste nostre de Ettryk extiterant ad comparendum et respondendum in curia nostra bondarum dicte nostre Foreste, in lesionem et dampnificacionem veterum libertatum et preuilegiorum dicto burgo ex antiquo concessorum. Nos igitur pro singulari fauore quem gerimus erga dictos conburgenses inhabitatores et communitatem dicti burgi, ac perpendentes molestias et grauamina eisdem in dictis suis preuilegiis exhibita

JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all his good men to whom these letters shall come, greeting. KNOW ye that we considering and clearly understanding that our burgh of Peebles was founded and infeft into a free burgh of our kingdom by our most serene predecessors Kings of Scotland with liberties and privileges in free burgage in the same manner as the other burghs of our kingdom were infeft in times past with burghal privileges; from the mournful relation and complaint of the burgesses and community of which burgh of Peebles we have understood that the said co-burgesses, community and inhabitants of the same in divers times past and lately were arrested, attached and summoned by our officers of our Forest of Ettrick to compear and answer in our court of the bounds of our said Forest in loss and damage of the ancient liberties and privileges granted of old to the said burgh. We therefore, for the singular favour which we bear to the said co-burgesses inhabitants and community of the said burgh, and considering the troubles and injuries done and to be done in their said privileges, have exonered and by these presents exoner

et illata, exonerauimus et per presentes exoneramus, pro nobis et successoribus nostris, imperpetuum dictos conburgenses inhabitatores et communitatem dicti burgi nostri de Peblis et eorum successores dictum burgum inhabitaturos ab omnibus compariciouibus et responsionibus in dictis curiis bondarum prefate nostre Foreste de Ettryk temporibus quibuscunque pro futuris; et si contingat quod dicti conburgenses et communitas vel aliquis eorum transgrediantur seu transgrediatur in destructionem arborum veredum vel in capcione ceruorum bestiarum ferarum seu venacionalium de predicta nostra foresta, volumus et ordinamus pro nobis et successoribus nostris quod transgressores et delinquentes huiusmodi puniantur et corrigantur, et quod sua amerciamenta inde proveniencia et cadencia leuentur et capiantur per cognitionem et deliberacionem assise ut interest, in itinere nostro justiciarie de Peblis et in nulla alia curia extra libertatem dicti Burgi in futurum. Quare vniuersis et singulis balliuis cursoribus officiariis et ministris dicte nostre Foreste de Ettrik presentibus et futuris, ceterisque legiis et subditis nostris quorum interest vel interesse poterit, stricte precipimus et mandamus nequis eorum intromittat cum dictis conburgensibus et communitate in arresta attachiamento compulsione vel vocacione eorum aut successorum suorum dicti Burgi conburgensium ad comparendum vel respondendum quibuscunque futuris temporibus in curiis bondarum dicte Foreste nostre de Ettryk, sub omni pena quam

for us and our successors for ever, the said co-burgesses inhabitants and community of our said burgh of Peblis and their successors who shall inhabit the said burgh, from all compearing and answering in the said courts of the bounds of our foresaid Forest of Ettryk in any future times whatsoever; and if it happens that the said co-burgesses and community transgress or any one of them transgresses in the destruction of the green wood, or in the capture of stags wild beasts or other beasts of chase of our foresaid forest, we will and ordain for us and our successors that such transgressors and offenders shall be punished and corrected and that the fines thence produced and derived shall be levied and imposed by the trial and verdict of an assize as efferis in our justice air of Peblis and in no other court out of the liberty of the said burgh in future. Wherefore, to all and sundry the bailies, couriers, officers, and servants of our said Forest of Ettrik present and future, and our other lieges and subjects whom it can or may concern, we strictly charge and command that none of them interfere with the said co-burgesses and community in arresting, attaching, compelling, or summoning of them or their successors co-burgesses of the said Burgh to compear or answer in any future times whatsoever in the courts of the bounds of our said Forest of Ettryk under

erga nostram regiam incurrere poterit maiestatem; quos ballinos cursores officiarios et ministros dicte nostre Foreste presentes et futuros, ex omnibus intromissionibus suis in vocacione arresta et attachiamento ipsorum conburgensium et communitatis et successorum suorum predictorum ad predictas curias bondarum Foreste nostre de Ettryk relaxamus et exoneramus pro perpetuo per presentes. Datum sub magno sigillo nostro apud Edinburgh quinto die mensis Augusti anno Domini millesimo quadringentesimo octuagesimo et regni nostri vicesimo primo.

all penalty that can be incurred to our royal majesty; which bailics couriers, officers, and servants of our said Forest present and future we discharge and exoner by these presents for ever from all calling, arresting, and attaching of the said coburgesses and community and their successors foresaid to the said courts of the bounds of our Forest of Ettryk. Given under our great seal at Edinburgh, on the fifth day of the month of August, in the year of our Lord one thousand four hundred and eighty, and in the twenty-first of our reign.

XIV.

DECREE of the Lords of Council declaring a deliverance of an Inquisition in the Justice Air of Peebles as to the occupation of the Common of Cademuir, Hommildoune, Venlaw, and Glentress, to be of no force or effect. Edinburgh, 14th February 1480-1.

AT EDINBURGH, the xiiij day of Februar the yer of God j^{m} iiij^{c} and lxxx yheris, the lordis of counsale vnderwrittin, that is to say, reuerend faderis in Crist, Johne bischop of Glasgow, James bischop of Dunkeld, William bischop of Murray, Robert elect confermit of Aberdene; richt noble and michti lordis, Andro lord Avandale chancellar of Scotland, Coline erle of Ergile, Johne lord Carlile; Sir William of Knollis preceptour of Torfichin, Maister Archibald of Quhitelaw secretar, Maister Alexander Inglis dene of Dunkeld, Sir James Allerdes provost of Sanctandrois, William Elphinstoun officiale of Louthiane, and Johne the Ross of Mountgrenan; in the actione and caus of summondis made at the command of our Souerane Lord, and [at] the instance of his Hienes apoun the persouns that past of befor on ane inquisicioun in the Justice Air of Peblis, for the declaratioun of the

occupacioun of the commoun of Cadmur, Hommildoune, Venlaw, and Glenters, for thair exceding and superflue deliuering in the said mater forther than thai had power or charge be our Souerane Lordis letteris, the quhilk persouns being lauchfully and peremptourly summond, and comperit personaly, thar resouns and allegacioums with vther evidentis schewin, for the pairt of our Souerane Lord sene, herd, and vnderstandin, the lordis of counsale forsaidis decretis and deliueris that the persouns that past on the said inquisicioun has excedit and superflue deliuerit and determyt in the said mater, becaus thai fand and deliuerit that the said commoun pertenit alanerly to the burgh and communite of Peblis and to nane vtheris, nochtwithstandin that thair is vther personis that in the tyme of the takin of the samyn inquisicioun baith clamyt and schew euidentis that thai had richt and interes in the sade commoun, and tharfor decernis the said deliuerance determinatioun and retour gevin thairuppoun of na vale force nor effect in tyme tocum. And thir ar the names of thaim that past on the inquisicioun:—Johne Hay of Yester, William of Cokburne of Henrilane, Walter Twedy of Drummelzer, Thomas Porteous of Halkschaw, the lard of Hertre, the lard of Horsbruk, George Tait, Gawin Barde, William of Murray, the lard of Frude, William Inglis, Thomas Haw, William Hay of Geddes, the lard of Dawick, Thomas Diksoun of Ormestoun, the lard of Huchonfeld, the lard of Foulich, and the lard of Chapelhill. Datum et extractum de libro actorum per me Alexandrum Scot clericum consilii regii, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus.—ALEXANDER SCOTT.

XV.

ACT of the Lords Auditors referring a complaint as to the wrongous occupation of the Common of Cademuir and Common Struther to an Inquisition, to be chosen by the next Justice Air at Peebles. Edinburgh, 26th March 1482.

THE actioun and caus persewit be Johne of Gledstanys of that ilk, and Thomas of Lowis of Mennar on the ta parte, agane Herbert of Twedy, Patrik Diksoun, Wilyam Diksoun, Johne Diksoun, and the remanent of the persouns contenit in the summondis on the tother parte, anent the wrangwis

occupatioun in propirte and sawing of the commoun of Cademure and Commoun Struther, is referrit be the Lordis Auditouris to be determyt and declarit be ane Inquisitioun of worthy and vnsuspect persouns, to be chosin and chargit thairto be our Souerane Lordis Justice in the next Justice Ayre to be haldin at the burgh of Peblis; and lyke as salbe fundin be the said inqueist to be obseruit and kepit in tyme to cum. And attour, becaus it is allegit be the saide Thomas of Lowis that the multuris cornes of the landis of Corscunnyngfeild to the fourty curne is a pertinence of the saide landis, the lordis auditouris referris that to be determyt and declarit befor the saide Justice be inquisitioun as said is.

XVI.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth to his Justices on the south side of the Forth, to make inquisition in their next Justice Air at Peebles, of the Common of Caidmure and Common Struther. Edinburgh, 6th February, 1484-5.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis: To our Justices on the south syde the Watter of Forth, and to thair deputis, greting. Oure will is and we charge yow straitlie and commandis that yhe in our nixt Justice Air to be haldin at our burgh of Peblis mak ane deligent inquisicioun and knawlege to be takin of wourthy and vnsuspect persouns anent the occupatioun in propirte and sawing of the commoun of Cademur and Commoun Struthir, debaitable betuix Johnne of Gledstanis of that ilk, and Thomas Lowis of Mennar on the ta part, and Herbert Tuedy, Patrik Dicsone, William Diksone, Johne Diksone, and certane vtheris persouns on the tothir pairt; and als becaus it is allegeit be the said Thomas of Lowis that the multur of the cornis of the landis of Corscuningfeld to the fourty curne is a pertinens of the said landis, that ye mak ane deligent inquisicioun and knauledge to be takin thair-uppoun in lik wis, sua that as salbe fundin be the said inquisicioun to be takin be yow in the saidis materis that the samin be obseruit and kepit in tyme cumming; and this ye lefe not vndon as ye will ansuer to ws thair-uppoun, and vnder the charge that efter may folow. The quhilkis to do we committ [to you] or any of yow coniunctly or seueraly oure full power be thir

oure letteres, deliuering thaim deuly execut, and indorsit as efferis again to the berar. Gevin vnder our signet at Edinburgh, the vj day of Februar, and of our regne the xxv yere. Per decretum dominorum auditorum causarum et querelarum in parliamento.

XVII.

DELIVERANCE of an Inquisition appointed by the Justice Air at Peebles as to the occupation of the Common of Cademuir and the Common Struther. Peebles, 18th February, 1484-5.

AT the burgh of Peblis, in the Tolbuth of the samyn, the xviij day of the moneth of Februare the yeire of oure Lord a thousand foure hundreth auchty and foure yeris, in oure Souerrane Lordis Justice Are haldin at the said burgh, in presens of ane noble lord Wilyame lord Borthwic, depute to noble and michty lordis Androw lord Avandale and Robert lord Lile, Justicis til oure Souerane Lord the king on the southe parte the Water of Forth, generaly constitute, comperit in jugement Johnne Dikysoun of Smeithfeld, Patryc Dikysoun, Robert Dikysoun, Gilbert Wiliamesoun and Martine of Balcasky burges of the saide burgh, with the laif of the comunite of the samyn, and present to the saide justice depute certane letteres vndir oure Souerane Lordis signet direct to him vppoun the takin of ane inquisicioun in the saide Are of the Commoun of Cadismwre and the Commoun Struther, debatable betuix the said communite and Johnne of Gledstanis of that ilk and Thomas of Lowes of Mennar, twiching the possessioun of the saide communite clamit in propirte be thame to the saide commoun of Cadismwr and the saide Commoun Struthir, and vppoun the multuris of the landis of Corscunnyngfeld clamit be the said Thomas to be rowme fre in the myln of Peblis, eftir the tenoure of ane act of the lordis auditouris of causis and complayntis of oure Souerane Lordis parliament gevin thaireuppoun, and referrit be the saidis auditouris to be decydit be ane inquest in the saide Are: Baith the saidis partiis beand personaly present and consentand to the juge the court and the inquest, the saide justice depute efter the [haill] euidentis richtis ressounis and documentis of baith the saidis partiis schewing and producit in jugement at the command of our saide Souuerane Lordis letteres, gert cheis

ane inqueyst of thir persouns vndirwrittin, that is to say, Wilyame Portowis of Blandewin, Charlis of Geddes, Thomas Hay of Hoprew, Thome Mydilmaist of Grevistoun, William of Dudingstoun of the Southous, Symoun Fresale, William of Halden of that ilk, Johne of Rowmano of that ilk, Wilyame of Murehede of Bourehill, Oswald of Cokburne, William the Vaich, Johnne Burnet of Burnetland, Wilyame Geddes, Walter the Vaich and Johnne Thomesoun of Mynzaire, the quhilkis persouns beand sworne to the deliuerance of the said debatable causis betuix the saidis partiis, deliuerit in this maner followand, that is to say:—We find at the communite of the burgh of Peblis is in possessioun in propirte of the occupacioun and sawing of the commoun of Cadismwre and Commoun Strouthir, debatable betuix thame and Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk and Thomas of Lowis of Mennar; and als we find at the cornes of Corscunnyngfeld aucht to be rowme free in the myln of Peblis to the fourti corne, bot we wist thame neuir havand vse thaireof. Datum et extractum de libro adiurnati supremi domini nostri Regis, per me Magistrum Ricardum Lawsoun clericum Justiciarie domini nostri Regis generalem, sub sigillo officii Justiciare dicti domini nostri regis, sigillis quorumdum qui dicte inquisitioni intererunt, meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. Given and extracted from the book of adjournal of our sovereign lord the King, by me Mr Richard Lawsoun general clerk of the justiciary of our lord the King, under the seal of the office of the said justiciary of our lord the King, the seals of those who passed on the said inquest, and my sign and subscription manual.

R. Lausoun, manu propria.

XVIII.

Judicial Renunciation by William Peblis of right to the common pasturage of Cadmure. Edinburgh, 17th January, 1505-6.

Apud Edinburgh, decimo septimo Januarii anno Domini millesimo quinquagesimo quinto. In presencia dominorum consilii Supremi Domini Nostri Regis pro tribunali sedentium, viz., reuerendorum in Cristo patrum, Willelmi

At Edinburgh, the seventeenth day of January, the year of God one thousand five hundred and five. In presence of the lords of the council of our sovereign lord, the king underwritten, viz., reverend fathers in Christ, William bishop of Aberdeen,

episcopi Aberdonensis, Dauid episcopi Lismorensis; nobiliumque dominorum Heugonis domini Montgumery, Jacobi domini Ogilvy, Willelmi domini Carlile; ac venerabilium in Cristo patrum, Georgei et Georgii abbatum de Arbroth et Sancte Crucis; Magistri Ricardi Lawsoun de Hieriggis, et Magistri Jacobi Henrisoun:—Quo die, Adam Peblis, summonitus ad instanciam balliuorum et communitatis de Peblis super certis contrauersiis inter ipsos motis erga communem pasturam de Caidmur, fatebatur et publice concessit se nullam proprietatem aut aliquam jus habere seu vindicare in prefata communi pastura de Caidmure preterquam ut vicinus seu burgensis dicti burgi de Peblis et aliter non. Super quibus Martinus Balkasky nomine et ex parte dictorum balliuorum et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis, sibi fieri vnum seu plura instrumentum seu instrumenta [petiit]. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Edinburgh hora novena ante meredíem vel eocirca, etc.

JOHANNES MURRAY, ad premissa notarius publicus.

David bishop of Argyle; of noble lords, Hugh lord Montgumery, James lord Ogilvy, William lord Carlile, and venerable fathers in Christ, George and George abbots of Arbroath and Holyrood; Master Richard Lawsoun of Hieriggis, and Master James Henrisoun:—Which day, Adam Peblis, summoned at the instance of the bailies and community of Peblis, upon certain disputes arisen between them concerning the common pasturage of Caidmur, acknowledged and publicly admitted that he did not have or claim any property or right in the foresaid common pasture of Caidmure, except as a neighbour or burgess of the said burgh of Peblis, and not otherwise. Whereupon Martin Balkasky, in the name and behalf of the said bailies and community of the said burgh of Peblis, asked one or more instrument or instruments to be made to him. Done within the tolbooth of the burgh of Edinburgh the ninth hour before noon or thereabouts.

JOHN MURRAY, Notary Public in the premises.

XIX.

RATIFICATION by King James IV. of a Decree (dated 17 January 1505) of the Lords of Council relative to the common lands of Cadmuir. Edinburgh, 5th February, 1505-6.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia, Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes litere peruenerint salutem. SCIATIS nos quoddam actum siue decretum per dominos nostri consilii inferius discriptos datum et promulgatum vtique intellexisse, sub hac forma:—[JAMES, by the grace of God, King of Scots: To all his good men to whom the present letters shall come, greeting. Know ye that we have fully considered a certain act or decree given and pronounced by the lords of our council underwritten, in this form]:—At Edinburgh, the xvij day of Januare, the yere of God ane thowsand five hundredth and five yeris, the lordis of counsale vnder writtin, that is to say, reuerend faderis in God, Williame bischop of Abirdene, Dauid bischop of Ergile; nobile and michty lordis, Hew lord Montgumry, James lord Ogilvy, Williame lord Carlile; venerable faderis in God, George abbot of Arbroth, George abbot of Halirudehous; Maister Richart Lawsoun of Hieriggis and Maister James Henrisoun, in the actioun and cause persewit be the baillies and communite of the burgh of Peblis agane Williame Dikkesoun, Johne Lyntoun, Robert Tod eldar, Robert Tod youngar, Johne Lausoun, Thomas Lilla, Patrik Thomsoun, Patrik Lausoun, Williame Phillop, Thomas Lyntoun, Patrik Thomsoun, Johne Huchesoun, Robert Patersoun, Richart Dike, William Lausoun, Thomas Michelsoun, Dauid Tod, Williame Querland, Thomas Querland, and Johne Thornbrand, for the wrangwis occupatioun, pasturing, and manuring of thair commoun landis of Caidmur, without tak or licens of thame, and for the wrangwis brekin of the ground tharof, distructioun and dovnecasting of thar dikis and merchis of the sammyn, and wrangwis vexacioun and trubling of the said baillies and communite in the peceable browkin and occupying of thar said commoun landis, like as at mar lenth is contenit in the summondis thairapoun; the said baillies and communite

comperand be Mertyn Balkasky and William Bell, burges of the said burgh thar procuratouris, and the said Williame Dikesoun and the remanent of the forenemmit persons comperand be Johne of Gledstanis of Cokaw, quhilk tuke the mater upoun him and allegiit that ane part of the said persouns was his tennentis and occupiit the sammyn be his richt, as he that had commoun pastur in the said landis of Caidmur, togidder with the remanent of thar richtis resouns and allegaciouns herd sene and vnderstude and thairwith being ripely avisit; the lordis of counsale decretis and delineris that the said Johne of Gledstanis and the remanent of the persouns aboue writtin dois wrang in the occupacioun, pasturing, and manuring of the said commoun landis of Caidmur, and in the vexin and trubling of the said ballies and communite in the peceable browkin and occupying of the sammyn, and tharfor ordanis thame to desist and ceis thairfra in tyme to cum, to be browkit and joysit be the said ballies and communite as thar commoun landis, efter the form of ane deliuerance of ane inqueist quhilk past thairapoun be ordinance of ane decrete of Parliament gevin in the said mater, at Edinburgh, the xxvj day of Marche, the yere of God a thowsand four hundreth auchty and twa yeris, vnder the signe and subscriptioun manuale of Maister Alexander Inglis, clerk of the Register, the quhilk inqueist wes tane at Peblis, in the Tolbuth of the sammyn, the xviij day of Februar in the yere of God a thowsand foure hundredth auchty and four yeris, in the Justice Air haldin at the said burgh be Williame lord Borthuik depute to Andro lord Avandale, and Robert lord Lile, justicis to oure Souerane Lord, quhilk deliuerance of inqueist bur that it was fundyn be the persouns that past upoun the sammyn that the communite of the burgh of Peblis wes in possessioun in propirte of the occupatioun and sawing of the commoun of Cadmur and Commoun Struthir debatable betuex thame and Johne of Gledstanis of that ilk, and Thomas Lowis of Mennar; and ordanis our Souerane Lordis letteres to be direct herapoun for the keping of the said baillies and communite in the possessioun of thar said landis of Caidmur in dew form as efferis; and as to the costis, skathis, dampnagis, and expensis sustenit bethe said baillies and communitie, assignis to thame the xx day of Julii nixt to cum, with continuacioun of dayis, and ordanis thame to haue letteres to summond sic witnes and probaciouns as thai will vse for the preving of the sammyn agane the said day, and the parteis be thame selff and thair procuratouris are warnit hereof *apud acta*. EXTRACTUM

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de libro actorum per me magistrum Johannem Murray deputatum honorabilis viri Magistri Gawini Dunbar archidiaconi Sanctiandree clerici rotulorum registri ac consilii supremi domini nostri regis sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. QUODQUIDEM actum siue decretum ac omnia et singula in eodem contenta in omnibus et per omnia approbamus ratificamus et per presentes, vt premissum est, confirmamus. Datum sub testimonio magni sigilli nostri apud Edinburgh, quinto die mensis Februarii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinto et regni nostri decimo octauo. [EXTRACTED from the book of acts by me master John Murray, deputy of an honourable man, master Gavin Dunbar, archdeacon of St Andrews, clerk of the rolls register and council of our sovereign lord the king under my sign and subscription manual. WHICH act or decree, and all and sundry contained therein, in all and by all, we approve, ratify, and by these presents as is premised, confirm. Given under the testimony of our great seal at Edinburgh, the fifth day of the month of February, in the year of God one thousand five hundred and five, and in the eighteenth of our reign.]

XX.

CHARTER of Confirmation and Novodamus by King James the Fourth, under his Great Seal, to the Burgesses and Community of the Burgh of Peebles of their privileges and possessions. Edinburgh, 24th July 1506.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia Rex Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem. Sciatis quia quondam nobilissimus progenitor et auus noster bone memorie Jacobus secundus Scotorum Rex, cuius anime propicietur Deus, habens considerationem lamentabilis querele et proposicionis conburgensium et communitatis burgi sui de Peblis, qualiter antiquis retroactis temporibus per guerrarum discrimina et ignium incendia carte

JAMES, by the grace of God King of Scots: To all good men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. Know ye that whereas our late most noble progenitor and grandfather of good memory James the Second King of Scots, on whose soul may God have mercy, having consideration of the lamentable complaint and proposition of the co-burgesses and community of his burgh of Peblis, likeas in

euidencie et singule sue litere predecessoribus suis dicti burgi conburgensibus, super infeodacione et libertatibus eiusdem burgi date et concesse, distructe combuste et adnullate penitus extiterant, idcirco pro zelo et fauore quos ipse quondam auus noster dictis conburgensibus et communitati gerebat eis, concessit et pro se et successoribus suis ratificauit approbauit, et pro perpetuo confirmauit, dictis conburgensibus et communitati ac suis successoribus, totas et integras infeodaciones libertates priuilegia sasinas et possessiones eis et dicto burgo per antecessores suos aliquo tempore retroacto factas et concessas : Et nunc vero nos, ad perfectam nostram etatem existentes et consimiles consideraciones habentes sicut dictus quondam auus noster dictis conburgensibus et communitati habuit, et pro singulari fauore quem apud eos gerimus, dedimus et concessimus, et hac presenti carta nostra pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo de nouo damus et concedimus, prefatis conburgensibus et communitati et suis successoribus, omnes libertates sasinas priuilegia et possessiones per ipsos et suos predecessores prius habitas et vsitatas ; ac approbauimus ratificauimus et confirmauimus, et hac presenti carta nostra approbamus ratificamus et confirmamus, totas et integras infeodaciones sasinas possessiones et priuilegia dicto burgo aliquo tempore retroacto super huiusmodi infeodacionibus et libertatibus datas et concessas, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et

times long bypast by the hazard of war and fire their charters, evidents, and the several deeds given and granted by his predecessors to the co-burgesses of the said Burgh concerning the infeftments and liberties of the same having been entirely destroyed, burned, and annihilated, therefore for the zeal and favour which our said late grandfather bore to the said co-burgesses and community, he granted to them and for himself and his successors ratified, approved, and for ever confirmed to the said co-burgesses and community and their successors all and whole the infeftments, liberties, privileges, sasines and possessions made and granted to them and to the said burgh by his predecessors in any time past : And we now having arrived at our perfect age and having similar considerations as our said deceased grandfather had for the said co-burgesses and community, and for the singular favour which we bear to them, have given and granted and by this our present charter for us and our successors for ever of new give and grant to the foresaid co-burgesses and community and their successors all liberties, sasines, privileges, and possessions had and enjoyed by them and their predecessors of before ; and we have approved, ratified, and confirmed, and by this our present charter approve, ratify, and confirm all and whole the infeftments, sasines, possessions, and privileges given and granted to the said burgh concerning the said infeftments and liberties in any time past, with power to the said co-

communitati ad habendas et tenendas curias cum creatione conburgensium suorumque conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi replegiacionibus; vnacum firma burgali et paruis custumis, curiarum eschaetis et amerciamentis, officiariorum electionibus, transgressorum infra dictum burgum punitionibus sicut et ceteri nostri burgi habent; vnacum molendinis et signanter molendino nunc super latus montis castri nostri de Peblis constructo et edificato, cum locis siue aqueductibus molendinorum videlicet, *le myldammys* multuris et eorum sequelis et edificiis nunc super latus dicti castri montis constructis, quodquidem molendinum et que edificia nunc super latus dicti castri montis constructa sursum reddita fuerunt in generali inquisicione in itinere nostre justiciarie tenta apud dictum burgum de Peblis in mense Maii vltimo elapso per dilectum consanguineum Andream dominum Gray nostrum justiciarium generalem; acciam cum aquis piscariis aucupacionibus venacionibus quantum antecessoribus nostris ante dicti burgi infeodacionem spectabat et pertinebat; cum montibus terris et vallibus et vsu eorundem ad communes terras suas de Cadmure Hommyldoune et Venlaw et le Commoun Struthir et ad vtendum et gaudendum eisdem per pasturacionem aracionem et seminacionem prout eis magis videbitur expediens et opportunum, et sicut ipsi et predecessores sui eisdem prius gaudebant et vtebantur, cum communi pastura libero introitu et exitu ad communem de Glencars a solis

burgesses and community to have and hold courts with the creation of co-burgesses and repledging of their co-burgesses and inhabitants of the said Burgh; together with the burgh mail and petty customs, the escheats and amerciaments of courts, the elections of officers and punishing of transgressors within the said burgh likeas our other burghs possess; together with mills, and specially the mill now constructed and built upon the side of our castle hill of Peebles, with the places or aqueducts of the mills, to wit, mill dams, multures and their sequels and the buildings now constructed upon the side of the said castle hill, which mill and buildings now constructed upon the side of the said castle hill were resigned in the general inquisition in our justice air held at the said Burgh of Peebles in the month of May last past, by our beloved cousin Andrew, Lord Gray, our Justice General; and also with the waters, fishings, fowlings, and huntings which belonged and pertained to our predecessors before the infeftment of the said burgh; with the hills lands and valleys and the use of the same upon their common lands of Cadmure, Hommyldoune, and Venlaw and the Common Struthir and with the use and enjoyment of the same for pasturage, tillage, and sowing so far as to them shall seem expedient and necessary, and as they and their predecessors formerly enjoyed and used the same, with the common pasture free ish and entry to the common of

ortu vsque ad occasum eiusdem, ac viarum et semitarum communium excercionibus vt eis consuetum fuerat pro focalibus et aliis necessariis dicto burgo et communitati ducendis et portandis, sine aliquo impedimento cuiuscunque persone seu quarumcunque personarum circa commorantis seu commorantium dictum burgum; cum communi pastura super moram nominatam *le Kingis mure* in passagio de Cadmure, et adeo libere sicut dictus burgus aliquo priuilegiorum predictorum retroactis temporibus sine in tempore predecessorum nostrorum gaudebat et possedebat. TENENDUM ET HABENDUM dictum burgum de Peblis in burgo et burgagiis predictis conburgensibus et communitati et suis successoribus, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in feodo et hereditate ac libero burgagio imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus vtilitatibus proficuis priuilegiis molendinis multuris et viarum ac semitarum communium exercionibus pro focalibus et aliis vtilitatibus et necessariis dicto burgo et communitati vt premittitur ducendis et portandis, sine quocunque obstaculo aut impedimento quarumcunque personarum dictum burgum circa commorantium; ac cum omnibus aliis commoditatibus, tam subtus terra quam supra terram tam, non nominatis quam nominatis, procul et prope, ad infeodacionem dicti burgi antiquitus spectantibus seu de jure spectare valen-

Glencars from the rising of the sun to the going down of the same, and the use of the roads and common paths as to them was customary for leading and carrying fuel and other necessaries to the said burgh and community without hindrance from any person or persons whomsoever dwelling near the said Burgh; with common pasture upon the mure called the King's Mure in the way to Cadmure and as freely as the said Burgh enjoyed and possessed any of the said privileges in times past or in the time of our predecessors. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said Burgh of Peebles in burgh and burgages to the foresaid co-burgesses and community and their successors of us and our successors in fee and heritage and free burgage for ever by all their ancient rights, marches, and divisions, as they lie in length and breadth with all and singular liberties, commodities, usages, profits, privileges, mills, multures and use of roads and common paths for leading and carrying fuel and other useful and necessary articles to the said burgh and community as before mentioned without obstacle or hindrance of whatsoever persons dwelling near the said Burgh; and with all other rights as well under the earth as above the earth, as well not named as named, far and near, anciently pertaining or which might of right pertain in time to come to the infeftment of the said Burgh, freely,

tibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere quiete bene et in pace, sine impedimento vel revocatione aliquali, et adeo libere et quiete sicut dicti conburgenses et communitas dicti burgi dictis suis priuilegiis libertatibus et commoditatibus prius aliquo tempore retroacto habebant et vtebantur. REDDENDO inde annuatim dicti conburgenses et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis et sui successores, nobis et successoribus nostris in scaccario nostro, duodecim mercas vsualis monete regni Scocie nomine annui redditus, et viginti sex solidos et octo denarios predicte monete magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi, juxta dictum burgum de Peblis, in puram et perpetuam elimosinam pro salute anime nostre et animarum predecessorum et successorum nostrorum regum Scocie, prout prius persoluebant tantum, pro omni alio seruicio onere exactione seu demanda que de dicto burgo pro priuilegiis et libertatibus predictis exigi poterit vel requiri. IN CUIUS rei testimonium presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precipimus. Testibus, reuerendo in Cristo patre Willelmo episcopo Abirdonensi nostri secreti sigilli custode; dilectis consanguineis nostris, Archibaldo comite de Ergile domino Campbele et Lorne magistro hospitii nostri, Patricio comite de Boithuile domino Halys etc., Matheo comite de Levenax domino Dernlie, Alexandro domino Hume magno camerario nostro, Andrea domino Gray justiciario nostro, venerabili in Cristo patre Jacobo abbate de Dunfermling

quietly, and in peace without impediment, hindrance, or revocation whatever, and that as freely and quietly as the said co-burgesses and community of the said Burgh held and enjoyed their privileges, liberties, and commodities at any former time. PAYING therefor yearly the said co-burgesses and community of the said Burgh of Peebles and their successors to us and our successors in our treasury twelve merks of the usual money of the kingdom of Scotland in name of annual rent and twenty-six shillings and eight pennies of the money foresaid to the Master of the Hospital of Saint Leonard near the said Burgh of Peebles in pure and perpetual alms for the health of our soul and of the souls of our predecessors and successors Kings of Scotland, as they paid of before, for all other service, burden, exaction, or demand which can be claimed, asked, or required of the said Burgh for the privileges and liberties foresaid. In testimony whereof we have commanded our great seal to be appended to our present charter. Witnesses, the reverend father in Christ William bishop of Aberdeen, keeper of our privy seal; our beloved cousins Archibald earl of Argyll lord Campbell and Lorne master of our household, Patrick earl of Bothwell lord Hailes, etc., Matthew earl of Lennox lord Darnley, Alexander lord Hume our great chamberlain, Andrew lord Gray our justiciary, the venerable father in Christ James abbot of Dunfermline our treasurer, and our beloved clerk master

thesaurario nostro; et dilecto clerico nostro magistro Gawino Dunbar archidiacono Sanctiandree nostrorum rotulorum et registri ac consilii clerico. Apud Edinburgh vicesimo quarto die mensis Julii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo sexto et regni nostri decimo nono.

Gavin Dunbar archdeacon of Saint Andrews clerk of our rolls register and council At Edinburgh on the twenty-fourth day of the month of July in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and six and in the nineteenth of our reign.

XXI.

INSTRUMENT of Renunciation by Robert Toid, senior, and others, of rights of pasturage in the Common of Cadmur. Peblis, 2d January, 1506-7.

IN Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno incarnacionis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo sexto, mensis vero Januarii die secunda, indictione decima, pontificatus sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Julii diuina prouidentia pape secundi anno quarto: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia, in pretorio burgi de Peblis, coram balliuis et certis comburgensibus congregatis, pro vtilitate dicti burgi, comparuerunt certos inhabitantes prope limites de Cadmwr, viz., de Hundwellishop, Wraa, Myltone, et Hawyardis, quorum nomina subsecuntur, inprimis Robertus Toid, senior, Patricius Lawson, Thomas Lillay, Willelmus Filhop, Johannes Tomson,

IN the name of God, Amen. Be it manifest to all men by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord, one thousand five hundred and six, the second day of the month of January, the tenth indiction, the fourth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord, the Lord Julius the Second, by divine providence Pope: In presence of me, notary public and witnesses underwritten, in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, before the bailies and certain co-burgesses there assembled for the benefit of the said burgh, appeared certain persons dwelling near the marches of Cadmwr, viz., of Hundwellishop, Wraa, Myltone, and Hawyardis, the names of whom follow, in the first place, Robert Toid, senior, Patrick Lawson, Thomas Lillay, William Filhop, John Tomson,

Patricius Tomson, Willelmus Querlance, Thomas Querlance, Patricius Hoig, Johannes Lawson, et Thomas Michelson, et confessi sunt, publica voce singillatim et nominatim, se iniuste occupasse, nocte ac die, cum suis pecoribus in preteritis temporibus, communes pasturas de le Cadmwr in pasturis et lesuris, pertinentes hereditarie dictis balliuis et communitati dicti burgi de Peblis, pro quibus iniustis occupationibus deponunt se singillatim in voluntate et fauore dictorum balliuorum et communitatis, et promiserunt se, vnanimi consensu et nominatim, fide media, et per exhibitionem et deliberationem manuum suarum dictis balliuis, abstinere in futuris ab eisdem occupationibus pascuis et lesuris. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis sic dictis et actis, Willelmus Bell tesaurarius dicti burgi, nomine balliuorum et communitatis, a me notario publico petiit vnum aut plura, publicum aut publica, instrumentum aut instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Peblis, hora secunda post merediem uel eo circa, anno, die, mense, indictione, et pontificatu quibus supra. Presentibus ibidem Henrico Carmechell, Jacobo Tomson, et Johanne Glaschen, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa specialiter requisitis.

Et ego Patricius Stanhous presbiter Glasguensis diocesis [*notarius, etc.*]

Patrick Tomson, William Querlance, Thomas Querlance, Patrick Hoig, John Lawson, and Thomas Michelson, and acknowledged with public voice, singly and by name, to have unjustly occupied, by night and day, with their sheep, in times past, the common pasturages of Cadmwr in pasturing and grazing, pertaining heritably to the said bailies and community of the said burgh of Peblis, for which unjust occupations they put themselves, each singly, in the will and favour of the said bailies and community, and promised, with joint consent and by name, in good faith, and by showing and delivering their hands to the said bailies, to cease in time coming the said occupation, pasturing, and grazing. Whereupon all and singular so said and done, William Bell, treasurer of the said burgh, in name of the burgesses and community, asked from me, notary public, one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, at the second hour afternoon or thereabouts, in the year, day, month, indiction and pontificate above written : There being present Henry Carmechell, James Tomson, and John Glaschen, with sundry other witnesses, specially required to the premises.

And I, Patrick Stanhous, priest of the diocese of Glasgow, notary, etc.

XXII.

LETTERS of Protection granted by King James the Fourth, under his Privy Seal, to the merchants and inhabitants of the Burgh of Peebles. Edinburgh, 16th February, 1509-10.

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis: To all and sindry our liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knawlege thir owre letteres salcum, greting: Wit ye ws to haif takin vnder oure speciale manteinance protectioun defence supple and saufgard oure louittis all the merchandis and inhabitantis oure burgh of Peblis and the fredome thairof, and all and sindry thair landis rentis possessiouns housis biggingis tennentis millis multuris fischingis woddis watteris, and all the commone pertenyng to our said burgh, thar pette custumis takkis malingis fermes annuellis corne catall familiare servandis factouris procuratouris intromettouris, and all and sindry thar gudis, movable and vnmovable, quharsumeuir thai be, within oure realme; Quharfore we charge straitly and commandis yow all and sindry, our liegis and subditis forsaidis, that nane of yow tak apoun hand to do to the said merchandis and inhabitantis oure said burgh of Peblis and the fredome thairof, thar landis rentis possessiouns housis biggingis tennentis myllis multuris fischingis woddis watteris, and all the commoun pertenyng to our said burgh, thair takkis malingis fermes annuellis pette custumis corne catell familiare servandis factouris procuratouris intromettouris or gudis forsaidis, ony euil violence molestacioun distribulance iniure harme or greif, in ony maner of degre, vther wais than the cours of commoun law will, vnder all the hiest pane charge and offence that ye and ilk ane of yow may committ and inrin agane oure Maiesty in that part. Gevin vnder oure priue sele at Edinburgh the xvj day of Februare, the yere of God $j^{m}v^{c}$ nyne yeris, and of oure regnne the xxij yere.

[*Dorso:*] The [. . . day of the] monath of Februar the yer of God ane thousand fyf hundredth and nyne yeris, I Johnne Bennet, kingis sergeand

of the scherefdome of Peblis, passit to the mercatt crois of the samyn, and thair opynlye before the hail mercat thair present, [proclamit this] protectioun vnder oure Souerane Lordis priway seil efter the tenor form and effect of the sammyn, befoir thir witness: Walter Huntar of Powmond, Walter Hunter his sone, Thomas Huntar, Thomas Andersoun in the Bordland, Thomas Lowis, Robin Toid, Peris Smaill, Robin Delmehoye, wyth other diuers; and for the mar witnessing I haf put to my signet.

XXIII.

Instrument of Foundation by William Alan, burgess of Peebles, of an altarage in the Parish Kirk of St Andrew, and Institution of Sir Robert Brewhous thereto. 29th April, 1517.

In Dei nomine, Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis pateat euidenter quod anno incarnacionis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo decimo septimo, mensis uero Aprilis die penultimo, indictione quinta, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri, domini Leonis diuina prouidencia pape decimi, anno quinto; In mei notarii publici et testium infrascriptorum presentia, personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Willelmus Alane burgensis de Peblis, non vi aut metu ductus compulsus, nec errore lapsus, seu dolo circumuentus, sed ex sua mera libera pura et spontanea voluntate, et proprio motu, vt apparuit, omnibus melioribus modo via jure forma pariter et effectu quibus melius et efficacius potuit et debet, fecit constituit creauit

In the name of God, Amen. By this present public instrument be it made manifest to all, that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and seventeen, the twenty-ninth day of the month of April, the fifth indiction, and the fifth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord the lord Leo the Tenth, by divine providence pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man William Alane, burgess of Peblis, not influenced or compelled by force or fear, nor deceived by error, nor circumvented by fraud, but of his mere free, pure, and spontaneous will and proper motive, as appeared, in every manner, way, right, form and effect, by which he might, and most effectually could, made, constituted, created, nominated, and

nominauit ac solemniter ordinauit, tenoreque presentis instrumenti facit constituit creat nominat et solemniter, ac irreuocabiliter ordinat balliuos consules et conburgenses burgi de Peblis imperpetuum futuris temporibus, veros legittimos et irreuocabiles patronos tutores et datores sui altaris siue capellanie fundande, et situande infra ecclesiam parochialem beati Andree de Peblis, in honore Dei omnipotentis, gloriose semperque Virginis Marie, et Sancti Cristoferi martiris; DANDO ET COMMITTENDO dictis balliuis consulibus et conburgensibus ommimodam plenam et irreuocabilem potestatem infuturum ad elegendum presentandum admittendum et instituendum vnum condiguum capellanum bone fame et lecterature, toties quoties, in et ad huiusmodi altare siue capellaniam beati Cristoferi cum ipsum vacare contigerit prout de jure possit: Quiquidem capellanus orare et celebrare tenebitur omni die cum dispositus fuerit in corpore et anima, in propria persona, ad huiusmodi altare siue capellaniam beati Cristoferi, pro salute anime prefati Willelmi Alane, et animarum patris matris fratrum sororum antecessorum successorum et parentum suorum, ac omnium fidelium defunctorum, nec non pro balliuis et communitate de Peblis; Et similiter ministrare et cantare in choro de Peblis prout ceteri capellani faciunt: Et pro prima vice prefatus Willelmus Alane elegit et presentauit Dominum Robertum Brewhous capellanum ad huiusmodi altare beati Cristoferi, ad ministrandum in eodem vt dictum est,

solemnly and irrevocably ordained the bailies, councillors, and co-burgesses of the burgh of Peblis, in all future time for ever, true, lawful and irrevocable patrons, defenders, and presenters of his altar or chaplainry to be founded and situate within the parish church of St Andrew of Peblis, in honour of Almighty God, of the glorious Mary ever virgin, and of St Christopher the martyr; GIVING AND COMMITTING to the said bailies, councillors and co-burgesses complete full and irrevocable power for ever to elect, present, admit, and institute a worthy chaplain of good fame and literature, as often as necessary, in and to the said altar and chaplainry of St Christopher, when the same should be vacant, in the same manner as he could do by law: Which chaplain should be bound to celebrate every day, when so disposed in body and soul, in his proper person, at the said altar or chaplainry of St Christopher, for the health of the soul of the foresaid William Alane, and the souls of his father, mother, brothers, sisters, ancestors, successors and relatives, and all faithful dead, and also for the bailies, and community of Peblis; and likewise to minister and sing in the choir of Peblis as the other chaplains do. And for the first turn the said William Alane elected and presented Sir Robert Brewhous, chaplain to the said altar of St Christopher, to minister thereat as aforesaid, for

pro toto tempore vite ipsius Domini Roberti. Insuper prefatus Willelmus Alane legauit ducentas libras vsualis monete Scotie ad emendum terras fundos et annuos redditus pro sustentatione diuini cultus fiende et celebrande ad predictum altare beati Cristoferi vt premissum est, quasquidem ducentas libras monete suis propriis manibus Thome Wilsoun, burgensis de Peblis, deliberauit, ad emendum prefatas terras fundos et annuos redditus, et ad reparandum huiusmodi altare beati Cristoferi in ceteris suis necessariis sibi pertinenciis. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus Willelmus Alane dominus constituens a me, notario publico subscripto, sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta: Acta erant hec in camera anteriori sepedicti Willelmi Alane, hora quinta in mane aut eocirca, anno, mense, die, indictione, et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honestis et discretis viris, Duthaco Patersoun, Andrea Henrisoun, Niniano Lowis, burgensibus de Peblis, Domino Adam Lowis capellano, et Domino Patricio Stanhous, capellano ac notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego Willelmus Newby, presbyter, Glasguensis, diocesis [*notarius etc.*]

the whole time of the life of the said Sir Robert. Moreover, the foresaid William Alane gave two hundred pounds of the usual money of Scotland, to buy lands, grounds, and annualrents for the support of divine worship, to be made and celebrated at the foresaid altar of St Christopher as aforesaid; which two hundred pounds of money, he delivered with his own hands to Thomas Wilson, burgess of Peblis, to purchase the foresaid lands, grounds and annualrents, and to repair the said altar of St Christopher in necessary things belonging to it. Whereupon all and singular the foresaid William Alane, the constituent, asked me, notary public, subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the outer chamber of the foresaid William Alane, at five o'clock in the morning or thereabouts, in the year, month, day, indiction, and pontificate above written, there being present honest and discreet men, Duthac Paterson, Andrew Henrisoun, Ninian Lowis, burgesses of Peblis, Sir Adam Lowis chaplain, and Sir Patrick Stanhous, chaplain and notary public, with divers other witnesses also called and required to the premises.

And I William Newby, priest of the diocese of Glasgow, notary etc.

XXIV.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth, under his Privy Seal, requiring certain persons to answer at the Justice Air of Peebles for troubling the Bailies, Council, and Community of Peebles in their possession of the lands of Cademuir, and to find lawburrows. Edinburgh, 8th June, 1518.

JAMES, be the grace of God, King of Scottis: To our Shereff of Peblis, and his deputtis, and to our louittis, Dauid Cameroun, Duncane Riche, Dauid Lourye, messingeris, our shereffis in that part, coniunctlie and seueralie special constitut, greting. Forsamekle as it is humely menit and complenit to ws be our louitis the ballies, counsale, and communite of our burgh of Peblis that quhar thai haue the landis of Caidmur with the pertinence pertenying to thame as thar proper landis in commoun, and hes bene in possessioun thairof and thair predicessouris sen the first infeftment of our said burgh, and xij yeris syne Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw trubillit thame in thair possessioune of thair saidis landis, for the quhilk thai conuenit him befor the Lordis of vmquhile our derrest faderis counsale and schew thar ald infeftment, and optenit thair decrete aganis him thairapoun decernand the saidis landis to pertene to thame, and decernand the said Johne to desist fra all intromettting thairwith and trubilling of thame thairintill, as the decrete gevin be the saidis Lordis beris, as is allegit; and be virtu thairof thai haue broukit thar saidis landis peceabilly ay sen syne quhil now laitly, our derrest cousing the Gouernour being absent, the said Johne, traisting trubill in the cuntre, beginnis of new to malingne aganis thame, and this last Sonday he send his houshald men and seruandis, and cruelly dang and hurt thair hirdis and seruandis that were kepand thair corne and gudis within thair said propir landis, and left twa of thame liand on the feild for deid, and houndit thair cattale furth of thar avne ground, and quhen thai come efter none to seike thair hurt servandis that wer left for deid, the said Johne, perseuerand in his ewill mynd, send furth Johne of Gledstanis, his nevoy and apperand air, Archibald Gledstanis, his sone, Johne Michelsoun, and vtheris thair complices, with conuocation of our liegis, to the novmer of xxvj bodin men in fer of wer, with women and

childer in gret multitude, and cruelly invadit thame within thair avne grund vpone forthocht felony for thair slauchter and chasit thame out of thair avne grond, doand that wes in thame to haue slane them, and tendis on force to spulye thame of thair saidis landis contrar the said decrete, and without ony ordour of law, in hie contempcioun of our autorite and lawis, as is inlikuis allegeit. Oure will is herefor, and we charge you straitly and commandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and tak sicker souerte of the saidis personis and thair complices sa mony as the ballies and communitie forsaid will mak faith wer art and part of the saidis crimes, and gevis thair names in bill that thai sall comper befor our Justice the secund day of our nixt Justice Air of Peblis, or sonar quhar it sall ples ws, vpone xv dais warnyng, to vnderly our lawis for the saidis crimes, ilk persoun vnder the pane of law; and als that ye tak sicker souerte and lauborrowis of the saidis personis and thair complicis, samony as the ballies, counsale, and communitie of our said burgh or thair servandis will mak faith thai dreid bodely harme of, and gevis thair names in bill, that is to say, of the said Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, vnder the pane of iij^{c} merkis, ilk vther gentilman landit ij^{c} merkis, ilk gentilman vnlandit j^{c} merkis, and ilk yeman xl li., that the saidis ballies counsale and communitie, and thair seruandis, salbe harmles and skaithles of thame and all that they may lett, but fraude or gile, bot as law will; and gif thai refus to send the said souerte and lauborrowis, that ye charge thame, be oppin proclamatioun at the merkat croce of our said burgh of Peblis, to cum and find the samin within vj dais nixt efter thai be chargit tharto, vnder the pane of rebellioun and putting of thame to the horne; and this on na wis ye leif vndone, as ye and ilk ane of yow, will ansuer to ws thairapone; the quhilk to do we committ to yow coniunctly and seueraly our full power be thir our letteris, deliuering thame be you deulie execut and indorsat agane to the berar. Gevin vnder our siguet, at Edinburgh, the viij day of Junii, and of our regnne the fift yere. Ex deliberacione dominorum consilii, etc.—J. Dikesoune.

[*Dorso:*] Apone the xxviij day of Junii, in the yer of God j^{m} v^{c} and xviij yeris, I Henry Boltone, seriand of the shirefdome of Peblis, past at the command of Jhone lord Hay of Yester, sherif-principall of the shirefdome of Peblis, with thir our Souerane Lordis letteris to Jhon off Gledstanis of Coklaw eldar, Archbald Gledstanis, his sone, Jhone Ynglis of Murdastone, Will Ynglis his

sone, and requirit and commandit thaim, and ilk ane of thaim, to cum and fynd lawborowis and to vnderly our Souerane Lordis lawis efter the tenour of thir our Souerane Lordis letteris within writtyn, and vnder the panis contenit in the samnyn; and herefter, within vj dais eftir this charge, personaly comperit thir forsaidis personis befor my lord sheref principal forsaid, that is to say, the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, and fand souirte for hym, Jhone Inglis of Murdastone, for lawborrowis, vnder the pane of thre hundreth merkis, and x lib. to vnderly the law; and the said Jhone Ynglis of Murdastone fand the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, souirte for him, vnder the pane of twa hundreth merkis for lawborrowis and x lib. to vnderly the law; and the said Johne of Gledstanis of Coklaw, elder, become suirte for Archbald Gledstanis his sone, vnder the pane of j^{c} lib. for lawborowis and x lib. to vnderly the law; and Jhone Ynglis of Murdastoun become souirte siclyke for Wilyem Ynglis his sone, bath for lawborowis and to vnderly the law, vnder the pane of j^{c} merkis and x lib.; And syne thareftyr, apon the thrid day of Julij, in the yer forsaid, I past at the command of my lord sheref forsaid, with thir our Souerane Lordis letteris, togidder with ane bill deliuerit to me, to the merkat croce off Peblis, in the tyme off the merkat, and thar be oppyn proclamatioun I commandit and chargit all thir personis vnderwrittyn, ilk manyr of persone be hym selff, to cum befor my lord shereff forsaid to the said burgh off Peblis, and to find sykkyr souirte to vnderly our Souerane Lordis lawis and lawborowis, efter the tenour off thir our Souerane Lordis letteris within writtyn, that is to say, ilk gentilman landyt vnder the pane of ij^{c} merkis, ilk gentilman vnlandyt j^{c} merkis, and ilk yeman xl lib.; and at thai and ilk ane of thaim suld cum and fynd the said souirte and lawborowis assaidis within viij dayis next herefter following this proclamatioun, vnder the pane off rebellione and of puttyn of thaim to the horne, and eftir the forme within writtyn. Thir ar the namis following that I commandit in the said proclamatione:—Jhone Mychelsone in the Hawyardis, and Gilbert Michelsone his sonis thar, Richart Michelsone thar, Dauid Michelsone thar, Jhone Winterhop thar, Robyn Lowis thar, Thom Michelsone and Pat Michelson his son in the Myltone, Pat Hog thar, Will Querlandis thar, Andro Querlandis his sone thar, Thom Querlandis, Jhone Lawsone, Thom Lawsone, Jhone Lawsonis his sonis in Hundwellishop, Stevine Browne thar, Wyll Lyntone thar, Jhon Thomson thar, Pat Thomson, Jhone Thomson

his brother thar, Thom of Lyntone, Rob Tod youngar thar, Pat Lawson thar, William Phillop, Jhone Phillop his son thar, Pat Lawsoune the lardis manch thar, Wille Lyllay, Thomas Soun thar, and Jhone off Gledstanis nevo and apperand air to the said Jhone of Gledstanis of Coklaw. And herefter I ramanit viij dayis at the command of my lord sheref forsaid to se gyff thir forsaidis personis [or] ony ane of thaim wald cum and find the said souirte and lawborowis, and thar come nane to find the said souirte as efferit; and tharefter I deliuerit thir forsaid letteris execut and indorsat agane, to the saidis baillies of the burgh off Peblis; and this I dyd before thir witnes, Jhone Lokkart sheref deput, William Lowis, Rob Ewmond, and Sir Jhone Dykysone notar publict; and for mar witnessing heroff I haf to set my signet to thir presentis, the xix day of Julii, at Peblis, yer and witnes forsaid.

XXV.

Acquittance by the Treasurer of Edinburgh, to the Town of Peebles, of their portion of the taxation of out-quitting of the Customs in Dieppe. Edinburgh 30th May, 1519.

Be it kennit tyll all men be thir present letteres, me James Baroune t[resoreir of] Edinburgh, grantis me to haif rasawit fra Robart Brois burges of [Peblis,] the soume of forty frankis wsuall mone of Frans, that is to say vij angellis. . . xx^{ti} ane frank xiiij s twa crownis of the Kyng for iij frankis xiij s. . . . . Bartane rydar for xxxix s, and the ramanent in Inglis grotis for iij s the grot, this forsaid gold and siluer haifand the cowrs forsaid in Frans for the time, and I the said James tresoreir for the tyme grantis me weill content and payit of this forsaid soume, quhilk wes thair stent of Peblis for the taxacione of the owtquytine of the custumis of Deip, and dischargis the said towne of Peblis of this forsaid soume for now and euir. In witnes of the quhilk, I haif subscriwit this present quittans with my hand at Edynburgh, the penult day of May the yeir of God a thousand v^{c} and xix yeris, befor thir witnes Andro Barrone, Thomas Clarksone, burgessis of Edinburgh and Thomas Robysoune, bailye of Peblis for the tyme, Walter Cunynghame, the master of the . . . . with otheris diueris.

James Baroun, wyth my hand.

XXVI.

INDENTURE between the Bailies and Community of the Burgh of Peebles and the Chaplain of our Lady Chapel as to the foundation of the altar of St Peter and St Paul, in the Parish Kirk. Peebles, 20th January, 1520.

THIS INDENTUR maid at Peblis the twenty day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God ane thowsand fyf hundreth and twenty yheris. It is finalie appontit and concordit betwix honorable men, that is to say, Adam Dekesoun, William Peblis, ballies of the burgh of Peblis and the communite of the samyn on the ta pairt, and Schir Patrik Stanhows chaplan of our Lady Chapell situat in the west end of the burgh of Peblis on that other pairt, in maner form and effect as efter follois, that is to say the said Schir Patrik sall indot gyf and infeft certane landis and annual rentis in honor of God, owr Lady, Sanctis Petir and Paull, to ane altar to be foundit of the saidis Sanctis Petir and Paull in the parisch kirk of Peblis, to the sustentatioun and wphalding of ane chaplane to be feft for euirmar and daylie doand mes at the said altar quhen he is asposit, efter the tenor and forme of ane chartour maid thairapoun, the saidis landis and annuall renttis remanand with the said Schir Patrik all the dayis of his lyf at his will and quhat tym that plessis hym to cheis ane chaplane thairto, and he frelie to brouk and jois the samyn for the first donatioun and gyft, and syne efter that the saidis ballies and communite to be patronis and tutoris thairto the said altar and servis for euirmar and to gyf it quhen it waikis frelie as patronis of the samyn within the terme of law, it haffand collacioun ordinar of my lord of Glasgw, ilk chaplane at his entrai *imperpetuum*. And als the saidis ballies and communite, tutoris of the said altar, sall defend and kep it in the rycht in the said feftment dotacioun and donacioun in the saidis landys and annuallis and in the uphalding of the samyn; and gyf it happynis, as God forbeid it do, that the saidis landis faill throuch neclegens wantonnes or slewthfulness of the chaplane or chaplanis beand for the tym other in thak tend or ony other wayis quhar throw the saidis landis falyheis, that than incontinent the saidis patronis and tutoris caus the said servis to ceiss, and the said chaplaine to be callit befoir my lord of Glasgw, and to be dischargit thairof gyf he be fond

ane fawtur ; neurtheleis the saidis patronis and tutoris causand ane nycht-bur or twa to resaif tak wp and gader in the fructis and profit of the said alter, and that to be warit apoun the samyn landis quhill the saidis landis be kent and mendit als weill as thai war of befoir and better, and syne to cheis ane behuffull chaplane thairto, and that to be chosing nother for bud nor meid for kyne nor alya bot alanerle as the communite thinkis caus, for the sernis of God to be doun at the said altar, and at na other altar in the kirk bot as his brethir the chaplanis dois till hym of the said kirk, the said chaplane for the tym beand sayand mes dayly quhen he is asposit at the said altar as saidis ; and als he sall conueiu and compeir wyth his brethir chaplanis of the said kirk in the quer with his surples, all solempnit festis, dowble festis, Sondais and halydayis, he beand at the lest ane plain sangstar ; and gyf he happynis to be fra the he mes the said solempnit dayis, dowble festis, Sondayis and haly dayis, ilk mes that he is fra to be in four pennis, and fra ilk ewyn sang twa pennys, and that to be tane wp be the patronis and tutoris of the said altar, and that to be disponit apon the said altar quhat thingis is mast neidfull that pertenis thairto. In witnes of the quhilk thing aythir of thir said pairteis ar oblist and suorin, ane buk wyth thar handis twichand ; and for the mar securite aythir of thir pairteis as set to thar seillis, that is to say that the saidis ballies and communite as set to thar seillis to the pairt of the indentur remanand wyth the said Schir Patrik, and the said Schir Patrik as set to his seill to the pairt of this indentur remanand wyth the said ballies and communite, day yeir and place aboun writyin, befor thir witnes ;—

XXVII.

CHARTER by King James V. to George Elphinstone of Henderstoune, of the lands of King's Muir. Stirling, 20th July, 1528.

JACOBUS, Dei gracia, Rex Scotorum : Omnibus probus hominibus tocius terre sue, clericis et laicis, salutem. SCIATIS nos dedisse concessisse et hac presenti

JAMES, by the grace of God, King of Scots : To all honest men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. KNOW YE that we have given, granted, and by this our

carta nostra confirmasse hereditarie, dilecto nostro familiari seruitori, Georgio Elphinstoun de Hendirstoun, pro suo bono et gratuito seruicio nobis impenso et impendendo, totas et integras terras Kingis Mure nuncupatas, nobis vt patrimonium nostre corone pertinentes, infra vicecomitatum nostrum de Peblis jacentes, contigue cum terris de Edderstoun Cademure Brigland Quhithauch Bonyntoun et Foulmyre, et aquam Tuede, ex occidentali orientali boreali et australi partibus. INSUPER vnimus annectimus et incorporamus prefatas terras de Kingis Mure terris et baronie de Hendirstoun, vt sint pars et pendicula earundem, ac priuilegii et libertatis huiusmodi baronie pro perpetuo in futurum: Et volumus quod vnica sasina de predictis terris et baronia de Hendirstoun capienda post primam sasinam nunc de prefatis terris de Kingis Mure capienda, stabit et sufficiens erit sasina pro dictis terris de Kingis Mure, absque vlla alia speciali aut particulari sasina de eisdem in futurum sumenda. TENENDAS ET HABENDAS totas et integras prefatas terras de Kingis Mure cum pertinenciis, nunc vnitas annexatas et incorporatas dicte baronie de Hendirstoun, predicto Georgio et heredibus suis, de nobis et successoribus nostris, in feodo et hereditate imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas, prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, in boscis planis moris maresiis viis semitis aquis stagnis riuolis pratis pascuis et pasturis, molendinis multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupaci-

present charter confirmed, heritably, to our beloved familiar servant, George Elphinstone of Hendirstoun, for his good and thankful service done and to be done to us, all and whole the lands called Kingis Mure belonging to us as the patrimony of our crown, lying within our sheriffdom of Peblis, next the lands of Edderstoun, Cademuir, Brigland, Quhithauch, Bonyntoun, and Foulmyre, and the water of Tuede, on the west, east, north, and south parts. MOREOVER we unite, annex, and incorporate the foresaid lands of Kingis Mure to the lands and barony of Hendirstoun that they may be a part and pendicle thereof, and of the privilege and liberty of the said barony in time coming for ever: And we will that one sasine of the foresaid lands and barony of Hendirstoun, to be taken after the first sasine now to be taken of the said lands of Kingis Mure, shall stand and be sufficient sasine for the said lands of Kingis Muir, without any other special or particular sasine to be taken thereof in time coming. TO HOLD AND TO HAVE all and whole the foresaid lands of Kingis Mure with the pertinents, now united, annexed, and incorporated to the said barony of Hendirstoun, to the foresaid George and his heirs, of us and our successors, in fee and heritage for ever, by all their right marches, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in woods, plains, moors, marches, ways, roads, ponds, rivulets, meadows, pastures and pasturages, mills, multures and their sequels,

onibus venacionibus piscacionibus petariis turbariis carbonariis liguis lapicidiis lapide et calce fabrilibus brasinis brueriis et genestis, cum curiis et earum exitibus, herezeldis bludwitis et mulierum marchetis, cum communi pastura, libero introitu et exitu, ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus commoditatibus proficuis et asiamentis ac justis pertinenciis suis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam sub terra quam supra terram, procul et prope, ad predictas terras et baroniam cum pertinenciis spectantibus, seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere quiete plenarie integre honorifice bene et in pace, sine aliqua reuocacione aut contradictione quacunque. REDDENDO inde annuatim dictus Georgius et heredes sui, nobis et successoribus nostris, sectam et seruicium de dictis terris et baronia de Hendirstoun prius debita et consueta. IN CUIUS REI testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendissimo reuerendisque in Christo patribus, Gawino Glasguensi archiepiscopo cancellario nostro, Georgio episcopo Dunkeldensi nostri secreti sigilli custode, Gawino episcopo Abirdonensi nostrorum rotulorum registri et consilii clerico, dilectis consanguineis nostris, Jacobo comite Aranie domino Hammiltoun, Colino comite de Ergile domino Campbell et Lorne hospicii nostri magistro, Hugone comite de Eglingtoun domino Montgomery, Malcolmo domino Flemyng magno camerario

hawkings, huntings, fishings, peats, turfs, woods, stone and lime, smithies, bakehouses, breweries, and broom, with courts and their issues, herezelds, bloodwits, and marchets of women, with common pasture, free ish and entry, and with all other and sundry liberties, commodities, profits and easements, and righteous pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under the earth as above the earth, far and near, to the foresaid lands and barony with the pertinents belonging, or that righteously shall be known to belong thereto in any way in time coming, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well, and in peace, without any revocation or contradiction whatever. GIVING THEREFOR, yearly, the said George and his heirs, to us and our successors, the suit and service used and wont of before from the said lands and barony of Henderstoun. IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have ordered our great seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses, the most reverend and reverend fathers in Christ, Gavin archbishop of Glasgow our chancellor, George bishop of Dunkeld keeper of our privy seal, Gavin bishop of Aberdeen clerk of our rolls, register and council; our beloved cousins, James earl of Arran lord Hammiltoun, Colin earl of Ergile lord Campbell and Lorne master of our household, Hugh earl of Eglingtoun lord Montgomery, Malcolm lord Fleming our great chamberlain;

nostro ; venerabilibus in Christo patribus, Patricio priore ecclesie metropolitane Sanctiandree, Alexandro abbate monasterii nostri de Cambuskynneth ; dilectis familiaribus nostris, Magistris Thoma Erskin de Haltoun secretario nostro, et Jacobo Coluile de Vchiltre compotorum nostrorum rotulatore et nostre cancellarie directore. Apud Striuiling, vicesimo die mensis Julii, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo octauo, et regni nostri decimo quinto.

venerable fathers in Christ, Patrick prior of the metropolitan church of St Andrews, Alexander abbot of our monastery of Cambuskynneth; our beloved servants, masters Thomas Erskine of Haltoun our secretary, and James Colville of Uchiltre our comptroller and director of our chancery. At Striviling, the twentieth day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand five hundred and twenty-eight, and in the fifteenth of our reign.

XXVIII.

ELECTION and Institution by the Community of Peebles of Sir John Ker to the altar of St Mary's Aisle in the parish church of Peebles. 5th and 6th August 1532.

IN Dei nomine Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum, cunctis pateat euidenter et sit notum quod anno incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo trigesimo secundo, mensis vero Augusti die quinto, indictione quinta, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris ac domini nostri domini Clementis diuina prouidentia pape septimi anno nono : In mei notarii publici testiumque subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir, Johannes Hog, extunc ballius burgi de Peblis, in pretorio eiusdem pro tribunali sedens, vnacum communitate eiusdem ibidem congregata,

IN the name of God, Amen. Be it manifest and made known to all by this present public instrument that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and thirty-two, the fifth day of the month of August, the fifth indiction, and the ninth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the lord Clement the Seventh, by divine providence pope : In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man, John Hog, then bailie of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment

reliqui vero absentes, ad electionem infrascriptam legitime premoniti ad ydoneum capellanum eligendum ad ministrandum et deseruiendum in altari beate Marie Virginis, in insula Johannis Geddas infra ecclesiam parrochialem de Peblis fundata, in manibus suis, per decessum quondam domini Jacobi Dekysone vltimi possessoris eiusdem, de jure vacante; et ibidem prefatum per balliuum liberam per electionem dicte communitatis, nemine contradicente exceptis duobus, viz., Gilberto Dekysone et Adam Dekysone, discretus vir dominus Johannes Ker, capellanus, ad deseruiendum et ministrandum in dicto altari libere electus erat, non obstante intrusione domini Johannis Tuedy, capellani in eiusmodi altari, per suos consanguineos confecta, ex eo quod dictus dominus Johannes Tuedy non inuentus erat ydoneus in cantu per maiorem partem consilii dicti burgi de Peblis [et] decanum et choristas dicte ecclesie, et prefatus Dominus Johannes Ker inuentus erat ydoneus non solum lectura sed eciam cantu ad id seruitium exercendum per eandem maiore partem consilii dicti burgi [et] decanum et choristas eiusdem prefate ecclesie. QUIBUSQUIDEM peractis, sexto die eiusdem mensis Augusti dictus Johannes Hog, balliuis, nemine dicte communitatis contradicente excepto Willelmo Tuedy, ad dictum altare Johannis Geddes personaliter accessit, et ibidem prefatum dominum Johannem Ker in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem et institutionem dicti altaris, juriumque et pertinentiarum

in the tolbooth thereof, together with the community thereof there assembled, the remainder being absent, lawfully summoned to the election underwritten, to elect a fit chaplain to minister and serve at the altar of St Mary the Virgin, founded in the aisle of John Geddes in the parish church of Peblis, lawfully vacant in their hands by the decease of Sir James Dekysone, last possessor thereof; and there, by the free election of the said community, none gainsaying except two, viz., Gilbert Dekysone and Adam Dekysone, a discreet man, Sir John Ker, chaplain, was freely elected to serve and minister at the said altar, notwithstanding the intrusion of Sir John Tuedy, chaplain, into the said altar, made by his cousins, because the said Sir John Tuedy was found unlearned in church song by the greater part of the council of the said burgh and the dean and choristers of the said church, and the foresaid Sir John Ker was found fit, not only in reading, but also in chant, by the said greater part of the council of the said burgh and the dean and choristers of the said church. WHICH things being so done, on the sixth day of the said month of August, the said John Hog, bailie, none of the said community contradicting except William Tuedy, personally went to the said altar of John Geddes, and there inducted, placed, and instituted the said Sir John Ker in the real, actual, and corporal possession and

eiusdem, induxit imposuit et instituit, per ornamentorum calicis et librorum prescripti altaris tradicionem, in huiusmodi altaris possessionis signum, ut moris est et in talibus fieri consuetum; secundum tenorem fundationis desuper confecte. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus dominus Johannes Ker, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri atque tradi petiit vnum aut plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio predicto hora vndecima ante merediem prefati quinti diei, secundo ad dictum altare beate Marie Virginis prescripti diei sexti, hora nona ante merediem aut eacirca, sub anno mense diebus indictione et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honorabilibus et discretis viris, Villelmo Peblis de Crukstoun, Johanne Hay, domino Thoma Sclaiter et domino Johanne Patersone capellanis, cumque plurimis aliis testibus ad premissa vocatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego vero Johannes Hay, artium magister, clericus Glasguensis diocesis, [*notarius etc.*]

institution of the said altar and rights and pertinents thereof, by delivery of the ornaments, chalice, and books of the foresaid altar in sign of the possession thereof, as is accustomed to be done in like cases, according to the tenor of the foundation made thereupon. Upon all and sundry which the foresaid Sir John Ker asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the foresaid town hall, at the eleventh hour before noon of the foresaid fifth day, and thereafter at the foresaid altar of St. Mary the Virgin on the foresaid sixth day, at the ninth hour before noon or thereabouts: There being present honourable and discreet men, William Peblis of Crukstoun, John Hay, Sir Thomas Sclaiter, and Sir Johne Patersone, chaplains, and with many other witnesses likewise called and required to the premises.

And I, John Hay, master of arts, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, notary, etc.

XXIX.

Letter by King James the Fifth to Mr John Hay of Smithfield and John Hog, bailie of Peebles, requiring them to defend Sir John Ker in the possession of the altarage of Our Lady in Geddes Aisle within the Parish Church of Peebles. Edinburgh, 6th August, 1532.

Rex: Weilbelouit freindis, we gret you weill. Forsamekill as ye and the counsall of our burgh of Peblis, as we are informit, haue gevin to our louit

oratour and chaplane, Sir John Ker, the altarage of our Lady in Geddes Ile within the paroche kirk of our said burgh, pertening to your gift and disposition be full richt as vndoutit patronis thairof; Our will is herfor and we pray you richt effectuislie, and als chargeis, that ye kepe and defend the said Sir Johne in peciabill possessioun of the said altarage, eftir the tenor of the said gift maid to him thairupoun, and in our name and autorite command and charge Johne Tuedy of Drummelzar, Williame Tuedy, and require Sir Johne Tuedy and thar complices to desist and cese fra all molestatioun and trubilling of the said Sir John Ker in the peciabill brouking and joising of his said altarage in tyme cuming vtherwayis than be ordour of law, eftir the tenor of the said gift, vndir the pane of tinsall of thar liffis landis and gudis, as ye will ansuer to ws thairupoun: The quhilk to do we commit to you coniunctlie and seueralie our full power be thir our letteres, subscriuit with our hand at Edinburgh the vj° day of August, and of our regnne the xix yer.

JAMES R. To our weil belouit freindis, Master John Hay of Smythisfeld, and Johne Hog, bailie of Peblis.

XXX.

LETTERS of Protection by King James the Fifth, under his Privy Seal, to the Bailies, Council, and Community of the burgh of Peebles. Edinburgh, 27th November, 1539.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis: To all and sindry oure liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knawledge thir oure letteres salcum, greting. Witt ye ws to haue takin, and be thir oure letteres takis, vnder oure speciale protectioun supple manteinance defence and saufgard oure louittis the baillies counsale and communite of oure burgh of Peblis, and all and sindry thare landis, baith commoun and propirte, rentis possessiounis heretages mylnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingis teyndis houssis bigingis myris mossis merches wayis gaitis roidis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis lowis fischingis cornis catale orchartis yardis stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris, procuratouris and intromettouris, and all and sindry vthiris thare

gudis, movabill and vnmovabill, quhatsumever, quharever thai be within oure realme: Quharfore we charge straitlie and commandis you all and sindry oure liegis and subditis forsaidis, that nane of you tak apoun hand to do to the saidis baillies counsale and communitie of oure said burgh of Peblis, or to all and sindry thare landis commoun and propirte rentis possessiounis heretages mylnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingis teyndis houssis bigingis myris mossis merches wayis gaitis roidis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis lowis fischingis cornis catale orchartis yardis medois stankis dikis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, or to all and sindry vthiris thare gudis, movabill and vnmovabill forsaidis, ony ewill molestatioun vexatioun violence distrublance iniure harme or greif, in ony maner of degre, vthirwais than the cours of commoun law will, vnder all the hieast pane charge and offens that ye and ilk ane of you, may committ and inrin aganis oure Maieste in that part; and in speciale vnder the pane of forfalting and escheting of all youre gudis to oure vse for youre contemptioun gif ye do incontrare heirof; certifying you and ilk ane of you quha sa dois incontrar heirof in ony poynt or wys we will mak you be pvnist tharfor with all rigour as efferis. Gevin vnder our priue sele, at Edinburgh, the xxvij day of Nouember, the yeire of God j^{m}v^{c} thretty-nyne yeris, and of our regne the xxvij yeire.

[*Dorso:*] The secund of the moneth of December, the yeir of God ane thousand fif hunder thretty nyn yeiris, I John Brown, sheref sergande of the sherefdome of Peblis, passit at the command of thir our Souerane Lordis letteres of protectioun to the merkat croce of the burgh of Peblis, and thair be opyn proclamatioun put the samyn to dew executioun in all poyntis efter the tenour of the samyn, and chargit all and sindry our Souerane Lordis liegis to do nor attempt na thing incontrar of this protectioun efter the form and tenour thairof, and vnder the panys contenit in the samyn; and this I did befor thir witnes: Cuthbert Andersoun, Alexander Lawder, Gilbert Dikesoun, William Robisoun, Sir Johnn Bullo, Sir Johnne Cur, Sir Gilbert Williamsoun, Mungo Williamsoun, and Alexander Hay, wyth vtheris diuerss; and for the mair verification I haue affixit to my signet.

XXXI.

LETTERS by King James the Fifth charging unfreemen not to make any private market, within the freedom of Peebles. Edinburgh, 12th October, 1541.

JAMES be the grace of God King of Scottis: To oure sheref of Pebillis and his deputis, ballies of oure burgh of Pebillis, and to oure louittis, Johnne Cobe, James Bell, Dutho Hoig, Dauid Dikesoun, messingeris, oure shereffis in that part, coniunctlie and seueralie specialie constitute, greting. Forsamekle as it is humelie menyt and schewin be you the saidis ballies counsale and communite of oure said burgh of Pebillis that quhare ye and youre predecessouris ar infeft of ald of oure said burgh be oure maist nobill progenitouris of gude mynd, quham God assolye, with all fredomes and priuelegis pertenyng to fre burrowis, as youre infeftment thairupoun beris; and in oure parliament laitlie haldin it is statute and ordanit gif ony foirstallaris be apprehendit forstalland ony maner of merchandice, vittualis, pultre, or vther gudis quhatsumeuir, within the fredome of burgh, that the officiaris of the said burgh eschete the samyn, that ane half thairof to oure vse and that vther half to the vse of the said burgh, and inlikewis that na personis vse paking nor peling of woll hidis nor skynnis, lois nor lade vtouth fre burgh without the priuelege thairof, and als ratefiand and apprevand all vther priuelegis, franchis and liberteis grantit to fre burrowis, as at mair lenth is contenit in oure saidis actis of parliament maid thairupoun; neuirtheless diuers vnfremen, chepmen, cowparis, and vtheris dailie occupeis youre fredome of oure said burgh, be bying and selling of woll, hidis, skynnis, irne, lint, ter, silkis, wyne, spicis, and vther stapill gudis, and be pakyng and pelyng thairof at kirk, mercatis, and vther placis to landwart within the boundis of youre fredome of oure said burgh, and foirstallis and will nocht suffir the saidis guidis to be brocht and sald in youre mercate as aucht to be done, incontrar the tennoure of oure saidis actis of parliament, quharethrou oure said burgh and fremen thairof ar hereit and we defraudit in oure custumes aucht to ws of the saidis stapill gudis, and the saidis vnfremen occupeis and takkis vp the proffit that suld cum to ws and you thairof, and beris na chargis bot ye allanerlie that ar compellit to walk, warde,

pay taxt, extentis and burrow malis, to youre vtir herschip and distructioun and incontrar oure saidis actis of parliament, burrow lawis, and all resoun, and equite, gif sa be: Oure will is heirfor and we charge you straitlie and commandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and in oure name and autorite command and charge, be oppin proclamatioun at the mercat croce of oure said burgh of Pebillis and all vther places neidful, all and sindry oure liegis vnfremen that nane of thaim tak vpoun hand to mak ony privat mercate, foirstall, pak, or peill ony gudis vtouth oure said burgh, in ony parte or place within the fredome of the samyn, bot that thai bring and present thairto all and sindry thair gudis and merchandice and mak mercate thairof, eftir the forme of oure saidis actis of parliament and vnder the panis contenit in the samyn; and that ye and ilk ane of you diligentlie serche and seke all and sindry personis doand in the contrar and foirstalland, pakand, or peland ony gudis, victualis, or merchandice vtouth the said burgh and within the fredome thairof, and eschete the samyn, that ane half to our vse, and that vther half of the saidis gudis to the vse and proffit of our said burgh, eftir the forme of our saidis actis of parliament and according to iustice: The quhilk to do we commit to you, coniunctlie and seueralie, our full power, be thir oure letteres, deliuering thame be you deulie execute and indorsate agane to the berar. Gevin vnder oure signet at Edinburgh, the xij day of October, and of our regnne the xxix yere.

Ex deliberatione dominorum consilii. J. Bannatyne.

[*Dorso*:—] The xxj day of Merche, the yer of God j^{m} v^{c} xlj yeris, I Johne Portuis, ane of the seriandis and officiaris of the burgh of Peblis past at command of the ballies of the said burgh to the mercate croce of the samyn, and thair be oppin proclamatioun, it beand ane mercate day, commandit and chargit all and sindry our Souerane Lordis liegis vnfremen in generall, that nane of thame tak vpon hand to mak ony privat mercate, foirstall, pak, or peill ony gudis vtouth the said burgh in ony pairt or place within the fredom of the samin, bot that thai bring and present thairto all and sindry thair gudis and merchandice and mak mercate thairof, eftir the forme of the said actis of parliament and vnder the panis contenit in the samin, conforme to the tenour of thir our Souerane Lordis letteres. This I did befor thir witnes: Sir William Newby notar publict, Johne Hall and Dauid Dikkesoun, burgessis of the said burgh, with vther diuers; and for the mare witnessing, to this my executioun, my signet is affixt.

XXXII.

CHARTER by Queen Mary, under her Great Seal, confirming the Foundation by the Bailies, Council, and Community of Peebles, and John Lord Hay of Yester, of a Collegiate Church, at the Parish Church of Saint Andrew, in Peebles. Edinburgh, 8th June 1543.

MARIA, Dei gracia Regina Scotorum : Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem. SCIATIS quia cum auisamento consensu et autoritate charissimi consanguinei et tutoris nostri Jacobi comitis Arranie domini Hammiltoun, etc. regni nostri Protectoris et Gubernatoris ratificauimus approbauimus admortizauimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris ad manum mortuam pro perpetuo confirmauimus cartam fundationem et infeodacionem factam per balliuos consules et communitatem burgi nostri de Peblis parrochianos ecclesie Sanctiandree infra diocesim Glasguensem ac per dilectum consanguineum nostrum Johannem dominum Hay de Yester vnanimi consensu et assensu in laudem et honorem summe et indiuidie Trinitatis Patris Filii et Spiritus Sancti, beatissimi Virginis Marie matris Dei Jesu Cristi, Sanct Andree ipsorum patroni ac omnium celestis curie sanctorum, pro salute animarum quondam charrisimorum nostri aui Jacobo quarti et nostri patris Jacobo quinti bone memorie quorum animabus propicietur Deus, anime quondam Jacobi comitis Aranie patris dicti nostri gubernatoris cui

MARY, by the grace of God Queen of Scots : To all good men of her whole land clergy and laity greeting. KNOW YE that with the advice consent and authority of our dearest cousin and tutor James earl of Arran lord Hamilton, etc., Protector and Governor of our kingdom, we have ratified approved and mortified, and for us and our successors, in mortmain, for ever confirm a charter foundation and infeftment made by the bailies councillors and community of our Burgh of Peblis parishioners of the Church of St Andrew within the diocese of Glasgow, and by our beloved cousin John lord Hay of Yester, with joint consent and assent, in praise and honour of the High and Undivided Trinity, Father Son and Holy Ghost, of the most blessed Virgin Mary mother of our Lord Jesus Christ, of Saint Andrew their patron and of all the heavenly court of saints, for the weal of the souls of the late James the Fourth our dearest grandfather and James the Fifth our dearest father of

etiam propicietur Deus, ac pro statu nostro prospero nostre matris nostrique gubernatoris et nostrorum successorum, necnon reuerendissimi in Christo patris Gawini archiepiscopi Glasguensis regni nostri cancellarii suorum predecessorum et successorum, omniumque illorum qui pro regni nostri defensione mortem obierunt, necnon omnium et singulorum rectorum vicariorum sacerdotum et balliuorum burgensium et incolarum dicti nostri burgi ibidem aut extra decedencium quorum corpora in ecclesie parrochiali Sanctiandree vel cemiterio eiusdem aut alibi requiescunt, et specialiter pro animabus omnium burgensium qui in huiusmodi ecclesiam cum aliquibus infeodationibus bonis mobilibus jocalibus ornamentis vestimentis libris calicibus aut aliis necessariis dotabant ornabant et infeodabant, ac etiam pro animabus quondam magistri Gilberti Rerik archidiaconi Glasguensis et magistri Patricii Blacader eius successoris olim Glasguensis archidiaconi suorum rectorum, necnon pro animabus omnium suorum benefactorum predecessorum et successorum et singulorum Cristi fidelium, de vna Ecclesia Collegiata clericorum et prolium diuina fauente gracia in diuino seruicio quotidiano apud huiusmodi ecclesiam parrochialem Sanctiandree in Peblis per seruicium duodecim prebendariorum vnius prepositi et duorum prolium vocem puerilem habentium ad cantandum diuinum seruicium cum ipsis preposito et prebendariis imperpetuum duratura, sic quod quilibet dictorum prebenda-

good memory, on whose souls may God have mercy, of the soul of the late James earl of Arran father of our said governor, on whom may God also have mercy, and for the prosperous state of us our mother our governor and our successors, also of the most reverend father in Christ Gawin archbishop of Glasgow, chancellor of our kingdom, of his predecessors and successors, and of all those who have died in the defence of our kingdom, also of all and singular rectors, vicars, priests and of the bailies burgesses and inhabitants of our said burgh dying within or without the burgh whose bodies rest in the parish church of St Andrew or the cemetery of the same or elsewhere, and specially of the souls of all burgesses who endowed, adorned and infeft the same church with any infeftments, moveable goods, jewels, ornaments, vestments, books, chalices or other necessaries; and also for the souls of the deceased Master Gilbert Rerik archdeacon of Glasgow and of Master Patrick Blacader his successor sometime archdeacon of Glasgow their rectors, and also for the souls of all their benefactors, predecessors, and successors and of all the faithful in Christ,—of a Collegiate Church of clerks and children in divine service, favoured by divine grace, to endure for ever daily at the said parish church of Saint Andrew in Peebles, by the service of twelve prebendaries one provost and two young persons

riorum annuatim habebit nomine feodi aut annualis pensionis summam viginti quatuor marcarum monete regni nostri per huiusmodi fundatores et suos predecessores in denariis et terris conquestis ac vnam cameram cum orto in Villa Antiqua de Peblis, messuagio archidiaconi Glasguensis propinquius adiacente in orientali et occidentali partibus eiusdem et vnam acram terrarum ecclesiasticarum ecclesie de Peblis eidem propinquius adiacentem per dictum reuerendissimum Glasguensem archiepiscopum, de consensu expresso magistri Ricardi Bothuile vicarii moderni de Peblis, per suos procuratores ad hoc legitime constitutos, in suplemento dictorum prebendariorum ad effectum premissorum dotatam et elimosinatam, quiquidem magister Ricardus per dictum reuerendissimum patrem authorizatus vicariorum pensionarium in huiusmodi prebendariorum numero pro seruicio quotidiano et nonnullus aliis seruiciis et oneribus ipsius imputandis instituit. Quiquidem prebendarii suprascripti ut sequitur titulabuntur, viz., prima prebenda beatissime Marie Virginis de puerperio; secunda prebenda de Cruce Sacra titulabitur; tertia, prebenda de Sancto Michaele archangelo; quarta prebenda intitulabitur de Sancta Maria Maiore; quinta prebenda de beatis Petro et Paulo; sexta prebenda de Sancto Johanne Baptista intitulabitur, septima prebenda de Sancta Maria de Geddes Ile; octaua prebenda de Sancto Andrea; nona prebenda intitulabitur de Sancto Jacobo; decima prebenda de Sancto Laurentio;

having a youthful voice to chant divine service with the provost and prebendaries themselves; so that every one of the said prebendaries shall have yearly in name of fee or annual pension the sum of twenty four merks money of our kingdom in money and lands acquired by the founders and their predecessors, and a chamber with a yard in the Old Town of Peebles, next adjacent to the messuage of the archdeanery of Glasgow on the east and west sides of the same, and one acre of the church lands of the Church of Peebles, lying near the same, given and mortified by the said most reverend archbishop of Glasgow with the express consent of master Richard Bothuile present vicar of Peebles, by his procurators lawfully constituted to that effect, in supplement of the said prebendaries for the effect before written; which master Richard, authorised by the said most reverend father, is instituted a vicar pensioner among the said number of prebendaries for the daily service and certain other services and burdens laid on them. Which prebendaries above written shall be called as follows:—The first, the prebend of the blessed Virgin Mary of Childbirth; the second, shall be called the prebend of the Holy Rood; the third, the prebend of Saint Michael the archangel; the fourth shall be called the prebend of Saint Mary Major; the fifth, the prebend of the blessed Peter and Paul; the sixth shall be called the prebend of Saint John the Baptist;

vndecima prebenda de Sancto Martino; et duodecima et vltima prebenda de Sancto Christophero intitulabitur. Quarum prebendarum possessores ad eorum sustentacionem certas terras annuos redditus et alia deuoria annuatim habebunt, prout in huiusmodi collegii erectione et fundatione per dictum reuerendissimum patrem cum consensu capituli sui Glasguensis suo sub sigillo sigilloque sui capituli ac communi sigillo dicti nostri burgi de Peblis cum certis ordinanciis in eisdem contentis confirmatis desuper confectis plenius continetur. Quasquidem cartam fundationem erectionem et infeodationem in omnibus suis punctis et articulis conditionibus et modis ac circumstanciis suis regulis statutis et obseruanciis quibuscunque in omnibus et per omnia forma pariter et effectu cum auisamento consensu et autoritate prefati charissimi consanguinei et tutoris nostri presentis carte nostre tenore approbamus ratificamus admortizamus ac pro nobis et nostris successoribus ad manum mortuam pro perpetuo confirmamus: Saluis nobis et nostris successoribus deuotis oracionibus et precibus ac suffragiis dictorum prepositi prebendariorum prolium et suorum successorum tantum. In cuius rei testimonium huic presenti carte nostre confirmationis et admortizationis magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus. Testibus, reuerendissimo et reuerendo in Cristo patribus Gauino archiepiscopo Glasguensi cancellario

the seventh, the prebend of Saint Mary of Geddes Aisle, the eighth, the prebend of Saint Andrew; the ninth shall be called the prebend of Saint James; the tenth, the prebend of Saint Laurence; the eleventh, the prebend of Saint Martin; and the twelfth and last shall be called the prebend of Saint Christopher. The possessors of which prebendaries shall have for their maintenance certain lands annual rents and other duties annually, as in the erection and foundation of the said College by the said most reverend father with the consent of his chapter of Glasgow under his seal and the seal of his chapter and the common seal of our said burgh of Peblis, with certain ordinances contained in the same above confirmed, is more fully contained. Which charter, foundation, erection, and infeftment in all their points and articles, conditions, forms and circumstances, their rules, statutes, and observances whatsoever, in all and by all things in the same form and effect, with advice, consent, and authority of our foresaid dearest cousin and tutor, by the tenor of this our present charter we approve, ratify, mortify, and for us and our successors in mortmain for ever confirm: Saving to us and our successors the devout orations, prayers and suffrages of the said provost, prebendaries, children, and their successors. In witness whereof we have ordered our great seal to be appended to this our present charter of confirmation and mortification. Witnesses the most reverend and the reverend fathers in Christ Gavin archbishop of Glasgow our Chancellor, George

nostro, Georgio episcopo Dunkeldensi; dilectis nostris consanguineis Jacobo Morauie comite, etc., Archibaldo comite Ergadie domino Campbell et Lorne, etc., Malcolmo domino Flemyng magno nostro camerario; dilectis nostris familiaribus Jacobo Kirkcaldy de Grange thesaurario nostro, Thoma Meynzeis de Petifodalis compotorum nostrorum rotulatore, magistris Jacobo Foulis de Colintoune nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico et Thoma Bellenden de Auchnoule nostre cancellarie directore. Apud Edinburgh octauo die mensis Junii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quadragesimo tertio et regni nostri primo.

bishop of Dunkeld; our beloved cousins James earl of Moray, etc., Archibald earl of Argyle lord Campbell and Lorne, etc., Malcolm lord Flemyng our great chamberlain; our beloved servants James Kirkcaldy of Grange our treasurer, Thomas Meynzeis of Petifodalis our comptroller, Masters James Foulis of Colintoune, clerk of our rolls, register and council, and Thomas Bellenden of Auchnoule director of our chancery. At Edinburgh the eighth day of the month of June in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and forty-three and in the first of our reign.

XXXIII.

Composition for Remission to the Bailies, Councillors, and Community of Peebles for their treasonable adherence to the English. Peebles, 15th June 1551.

Componitur pro remissione cum balliuis consulibus communitate burgensibus et inhabitatoribus burgi de Peblis et libertatis eiusdem, infra vicecomitatum de Peblis commorantibus, pro eorum proditoria assecurancie cum veteribus Anglie inimicis susceptione post conflictum de Pynkyncleuch, et sub eadem remanentia per spacium quindecim hebdomadarum aut eocirca tempore guerre et pro omnibus actione et crimine que eiis aut eorum alicui

Composition for a remission with the bailies councillors community burgesses and inhabitants of the burgh of Peebles and liberty thereof, dwelling within the sheriffdom of Peebles, for their treasonable adherence to the old enemies of England after the battle of Pinkiecleuch, and remaining therein for the period of fifteen weeks or thereabouts in time of war, and for all action and crime which can be imputed to

inde quovismodo imputari poterunt; necnon pro omnibus aliis actionibus proditionibus criminibus transgressionibus et offensis quibuscunque per dictos balliuos consules communitatem burgenses et inhabitatores burgi antedicti et libertatis eiusdem aliquibus temporibus retroactis ante diem date presentium commissis seu quomodolibet perpetratis, proditoria traditione in personam S. D. N. Regine et sui tutoris, incendio, homicido, murthuro, mutilatione, mulierum raptu, equitatione cum Anglis, furto et receptione furti duntaxat exceptis. Subscriptum per dominos compositores apud Peblis decimo quinto die mensis Junii anno Domini millesimo quingentessimo et quinquagesimo primo. Compositio iij° li.

JOANNES, *thesaurarius.* JHON CAMPBELL.
E. ROSSENSIS, *secretarius.* SANCHAR.

them or any of them therefrom; as also for all other aetions treasons crimes transgressions and offences whatsoever committed or in any way done by the said bailies councillors community burgesses and inhabitants of the foresaid burgh and liberty thereof in any times past before the day of the date of these presents, high treason against the person of our Sovereign Lady the Queen and of her tutor, fireraising, manslaughter, murder, mutilation, rape of women, riding with the English, theft and reset of theft only excepted. Subscribed by the lords compounders, at Peebles the fifteenth day of the month of June in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty one. Composition £200.

XXXIV.

CHARTER by Queen Mary, under the Great Seal, of new erecting the Burgh of Peebles into a Free Royal Burgh, with liberty to hold markets and fairs and with the other privileges contained in their ancient infeftments. Peebles, 17th December 1554.

MARIA, Dei gracia Regina Scotorum: Omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis salutem. SCIATIS quia villa et burgus noster de

MARY, by the grace of God Queen of Scots: To all good men of her whole land, clergy and laity, greeting. KNOW YE that whereas our town and burgh of Peblis was

Peblis ex antiquo per predecessores nostros in libero burgo regali infeodatus fuit cum libera potestate libertate et facultate intra eundem diem foralem ebdomidatim die Martis ac vnum diem nundiuarum annuatim in die Sancti Bartholomei habendi, ac cum potestate vinum ceram pannum linenm et laneum latum et aretum ac omnes alias mercantias licitas vendendi, et intra dictum nostrum burgum pistores brasiatores piscatores laniones ac piscium et carnium preparatores ac omnes alios artifices libero burgo regali pertinentes habendi et tenendi, prepositum balliuos et officiarios in eodem pro eiusdem gubernatione eligendi; necnon quod potestatem habuit singulas terras libertati dicti burgi pertinentes in acris siue particatis *lie rudis* ad eorum libitum voluntatis prout eis videbatur magis expediens pro bono et commodo dicti nostri burgi assedandi, prout infeofamentum sub magno sigillo desuper confectum latius proportat; et ob combustionem prefati nostri burgi per veteres nostros Anglie hostes et depredationes super dicta villa et burgo per fures et malefactores commissas, inhabitatores eiusdem depauperati sunt, vnde idem noster burgus illico deficere imminet nisi aliquod remedium inde prouideatur: Quapropter de auctoritate nostra regali et potestate regiuali de nouo fecimus ereximus infeodauimus et creauimus ac tenore presentis carte nostre de nouo facimus erigimus infeodamus et creamus dictum nostrum burgum in libero burgo regali, et eidem ac preposito balliuis et inhabitatoribus eiusdem

of old erected by our predecessors into a free royal burgh with full power liberty and faculty to have within the same a market day on Tuesday weekly and a fair day yearly on the day of Saint Bartholomew, and with power to sell wine, wax, cloth, linen, both broad linen and narrow, and all other lawful merchandise, and to have and keep within our said burgh bakers, brewers, fishers, fleshers, and dressers of fish and flesh and all other craftsmen pertaining to a free royal burgh, to elect a provost, bailies, and officers therein for the government of the same, also that it possessed power to let the several lands pertaining to the liberty of the said burgh in acres or particates called roods at their will as seemed to them expedient for the good and advantage of our said burgh, as the infeftment made thereupon under the great seal more fully purports; and that by the burning of our foresaid burgh by our old enemies of England and depredations committed upon the said town and burgh by thieves and ill-doers, the inhabitants of the said burgh have become impoverished, whereby our said burgh is liable immediately to decay unless some remedy be provided therefor: Wherefore by our royal authority and queenly power, we of new have made, erected, infeft and created and by the tenor of this our present charter we make, erect infeft, and create our said burgh into a free royal burgh and we have given, and by these presents give to it and to

dedimus ac per presentes damus omnia preuilegia et libertates suprascriptas et alias in suo antiquo infeofamento desuper habito contentas, ac dedimus et concessimus tenoreque nostre presentis carte damus et concedimus eisdem potestatem citra omnes nundinas quas perprius habuerunt duas liberas nundinas annuatim intra dictum burgum nostrum libertatem et bondas eiusdem vnam, viz., in die Sanctorum Petri et Pauli et per octauas eiusdem et alteram in die Sancti Dionisii et per eiusdem octauas tenendi; acetiam dedimus tenore presentisque carte nostre damus eisdem omnibusque legiis nostris dicto burgo venientibus liberam potestatem ad dictum diem foralem et ad omnes alias nundinas dicti nostri burgi omnia mercanciarum genera oues boues vaccas equos et alia bona vendibilia portandi et ducendi ac easdem ibidem vendendi, cum omnibus toloniis custumis priuilegiis libertatibus et facultatibus liberis nundinis et libero burgo regali quouismodo pertinentibus aut in futurum pertinere valentibus, et adeo libere sicut burgus noster de Edinburgh aut aliquis alius burgus regalis per nos aut predecessores nostros intra regnum nostrum infeodatur. TENENDUM ET HABENDUM totum et integrum prefatum burgum nostrum de Peblis et liberas terras eidem pertinentes cum suis pertinentiis in libero burgo regali perpetualiter in futurum cum priuilegiis libertatibus et concessionibus suprascriptis ac omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus proficuis asiamentis ac iustis perti-

the provost, bailies, and to the inhabitants of the same all privileges and liberties above written, and others contained in their ancient infeftment had thereupon, and we have given and granted and by the tenor of our present charter give and grant power to them, besides all fairs which they had of before, to hold two free fairs annually within our said Burgh liberty and bounds of the same, to wit, one on the day of Saints Peter and Paul and during the octave of the same, and the other on the day of Saint Dionisius and during the octave of the same; and also we have given and by the tenor of our present charter give to them and to all our lieges coming into the said burgh full power to carry and take to the said day market, and to all other fairs of our said burgh all kinds of merchandice, sheep, oxen, cows, horses and other saleable goods and there to sell the same, with all tolls, customs, privileges, liberties, and faculties pertaining, or that in future can pertain to free fairs and to a free royal burgh, and as freely as our burgh of Edinburgh or any other royal burgh within our kingdom is infeft by us or our predecessors. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD all and whole our foresaid burgh of Peblis and free lands pertaining to the same with their pertinents in a free royal burgh perpetually in future with privileges liberties and grants above written and all other and singular liberties, profits, easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever within our kingdom pertaining or

nentiis suis quibuscunque nobis et predecessoribus nostris intra regnum nostrum pertinentibus aut pertinere valentibus sine aliqua reuocatione obstaculo impedimento aut contradictione quacunque. Prouiso omnimodo quod istarum nundinarum concessio nulla erit lesio nec preiudicium nulli alii burgo nostri regni. IN CUIUS REI TESTIMONIUM huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precipimus. Testibus reuerendissimo in Christo patre Johanne archiepiscopo Sancti Andree, etc.; dilectis nostris consanguineis Archibaldo comite Ergadie domino Campbell et Lorne etc., Gilberto comite de Cassillis domino Kennedy thesaurario nostro; venerabili in Christo patre Donaldoabbate monasterii nostri de Cupro nostri secreti sigilli custode; dilectis nostris familiaribus magistris Jacobo M'Gill de Rankeloure Nather nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico, Johanne Bellenden de Auchnoule nostre iusticiarie clerico et Alexandro Levyngstoun de Donypace nostre cancellarie directore. Apud Peblis decimo septimo die mensis Decembris anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo quarto et regni nostri decimo tertio.

which might pertain to us and our predecessors without any revocation, obstacle, impediment, or contradiction whatsoever. Providing always that the grant of these fairs shall be no hurt or prejudice to any other burgh of our kingdom. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we have commanded our great seal to be appended to this our present charter. Witnesses the most reverend father in Christ John archbishop of St Andrews, etc.; our beloved cousins Archibald earl of Argyll lord Campbell and Lorne, etc., Gilbert earl of Cassillis lord Kennedy our treasurer; the venerable father in Christ Donald abbot of our monastery of Cupar keeper of our privy seal; our beloved servants masters James M'Gill of Rankeiloure Nather clerk of our rolls register and council, John Bellenden of Auchnoule clerk of our justiciary, and Alexander Levyngstoun of Donypace director of our chancery. At Peblis on the seventeenth day of the month of December in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty four and in the thirteenth of our reign.

XXXV.

ELECTION and Institution of Gilbert Tuedy to the chaplainry of the altar of St. Mary of Geddes Aisle in the Collegiate Church of St. Andrew of Peebles. 19th and 22d July, 1559.

IN Dei Nomine, Amen. Per hoc presens publicum instrumentum cunctis

IN the name of God, Amen. By this present public instrument let it appear

pateat euidenter et sit notum quod anno Incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo nono, diebus vero mensis Julii decimo nono et vigesimo secundo, indictione secunda, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pauli diuina prouidentia pape quarti anno quinto: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri, Joannes Horsbruk et Joannes Wychtman, balliui burgi de Peblis in pretorio eiusdem pro tribunali sedentes, vnacum communitate eiusdem burgi ibidem congregata, ad ydoneum capellanum eligendem ad ministrandum et deseruiendum in altari beate Marie de Geddes Ile in ecclesia collegiata beati Andree de Peblis fundata, in manibus suis per decessum quondam domini Joannis Ker vltimi possessoris eiusdem de jure vacante, et ibidem per prefatos balliuos et liberam electionem dicti communitatis et comburgensium dicti burgi, discretus vir Gilbertus Tuedy clericus ad deseruiendum et ministrandum in dicto altari vnanimi voto nulla interueniente descrepancia, electus erat: Quibusquidem peractis Joannes Horsbruk, vnius balliuorum predicti burgi, ad dictum altare beate Marie de Geddes Ile accessit, et ibidem prefatum Gilbertum Tuedy clericum, cum consensu dicte communitatis, in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem et institutionem dicti altaris jurium et pertinentiarum eiusdem instituit et induxit, per clauis calicis libri et ornamentorum prescripti altaris tradi-

evidently to all that in the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-nine, the nineteenth and twenty-second days of the month of July, the second indiction, the fifth year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the lord Paul the Fourth, by divine providence pope: In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared honourable men, John Horsbruk and John Wychtman, bailies of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment in the town hall thereof, together with the community of the said burgh there assembled, to elect a fit chaplain to minister and serve at the altar of the blessed Mary of St Geddes Aisle founded in the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis, lawfully vacant in their hands by the decease of Sir John Ker, last possessor thereof; and there a discreet man, Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, was, by a unanimous vote, without any disagreement, elected by the foresaid bailies and the free election of the said community and co-burgesses of the said burgh, to serve and minister at the said altar: Which being done, John Horsbruk, one of the bailies of the foresaid burgh, went to the said altar of the blessed Mary of Geddes Aisle, and there, with consent of the said community, instituted and inducted the foresaid Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, in the real, actual, and corporal possession and institution of the said altar, rights and pertinents thereof, by delivery of the key, chalice,

tionem, in huiusmodi altaris possessionis signum vt moris est et in talibus fieri consuetum secundum tenorem fundationis desuper confecte. De et super quibus omnibus et singulis prefatus Gilbertus Tuedy clericus antedictam institutionem et possessionis dicti altaris sic recipiens, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec primo in pretorio burgi de Peblis horam circiter duodecimam in meredie secundo apud dictum altare horam circiter decimam ante merediem sub anno diebus, mense et pontificatu suprascriptis: Presentibus ibidem discretis viris Magistro Joanne Colquhone decano christianitatis de Peblis, dominis Joanne Tuedy, Joanne Bullo, Joanne Newtoun, Jacobo Lowys, presbyteris, Dauido Creichtoun, laico et domino Joanne Allane capellano et notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis.

Et ego vero Joannes Allane, presbyter, Glasguensis diocesis [*notarius, etc.*]

book, and ornaments of the foresaid altar, in sign of possession of the said altar, as is accustomed to be done in like cases, according to the tenor of the foundation thereupon made. Upon all and sundry which things the foresaid Gilbert Tuedy, clerk, so receiving the foresaid institution and possession of the said altar, asked me, notary public subscribing, to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done, first, in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, about the twelfth hour of noon, and secondly, at the said altar, about the tenth hour before noon, in the year, days, month, and pontificate above written: There being present discreet men, master John Colquhone, dean of the christianity of Peblis, Sirs John Tuedy, John Bullo, John Newtoun, James Lowys, priests, David Creichtoun, layman, and Sir John Allane, chaplain and notary public, with divers other witnesses, called and required to the premises.

And I John Allane, priest of the diocese of Glasgow [*notary, etc.*]

XXXVI.

LETTERS of Protection granted by Queen Mary to the Bailies Council and Community of the Burgh of Peebles. Peebles 28th August 1563.

REGINA:

MARIE, be the grace of God, Quene of Scottis: Till all and sindry our liegis and subditis quham it efferis quhais knawlege thir our

letteres salcum greting: Wit ye ws to haue takin and be thir our letteres takis vnder oure speciale protectioun supple mantenance defence and sauf gard, our louittis the baillies counsale and communite of our burgh of Peblis, and all and sindry thair landis, baith commoun and propirtie, rentis possessiones heretageis milnis multuris takkis stedingis rowmes malingnis teindis houssis bigynnis muris mossis mercheis wayis gaittis roddis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis louchis fischingnis cornes catale orchartis yardis stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, and all and sindry vtharis thair gudis moveable and vnmoveabill quhatsumeuir quhair ever thai be within our realme: Quhairfore we charge straitlie and commandis yow, all and sindrie oure liegeis and subditis foirsaidis, that nane of yow tak apone hand to do to the said baillies counsale and communite of our said burgh of Peblis or to all and sindry thair landis, commoun and propirtie, rentis possessiones heretageis milnis multuris takkis stedingnis rowmes mailingnis teindis houssis bigiunis muris mossis mercheis wayis gaittis roddis maner places store places grangeis pasturis lesuris woddis louchis fischingnis cornes catale orchartis yardis medois stankis dykis men tennentis seruandis firmoraris factouris procuratouris and intromettouris, or to all and sindrie vtharis thair gudis moveabill and unmoveable foirsaidis, ony evill molestatioun vexatioun violence distrubulance iniure harme or greif in ony maner of degre, vtherwayis than the commoun cours of law will, vnder all the hieast pane charge and offence that ye and ilkane of yow may commit and inrin aganes our Maiestie in that part, and in speciale vnder the pane of fourfalting and eschaeting of all your gudis to our vse for your contemptioun gif ye do incontrare heirof, certifying yow and ilkane of yow quha sa dois incontrare heirof in ony poynt or wyis we will mak yow be pvnist thairfore with all rigour as efferis. Gevin vnder our signet and subscriuit with our hand, at Peblis the xxviij day of August the yere of God j^{m} v^{c} and lxiij yeris and of our regnne the xxj yere. MARIE, R.

XXXVII.

GIFT and Donation by the Bailies Council and Community of Peebles to John Tweedie of the prebendary and chaplainry of the Rood and Holy Blood altar in the Parish Kirk of Peebles. Peebles, 31st March 1568.

APUD Peblis, vltimo die mensis Martii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo octauo. The said day, forsamekle as the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis havand vacand in thair handis the prebendarie and chaplanrie of the Rude and Haly Blude altare, vnyt baith in ane, be deceis of vmquhile Sir James Danidsone, last prebendare thairof, and havand vndouttit rycht to the donatioun and dispositioun thairof, comperit John Horsbruk and Patrik Dikesone baillies of the said burgh of Peblis in the Tolbuth of the samin accumpanit with the counsale and communite thairof, and thair convenit to elect and cheis ane qualifiit man to vse the said prebendarie conforme to the ordour newlie takin in semlabill caces, comperit Jhone Tuedy student and gaif in his supplicatioun [to] the [said] baillies counsale and communite off the quhilk supplicatioun the tennour followis :—Schirris baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, vnto your wisdomes humblie menis I, your seruitour, Jhone Tuedy sone to Thomas Tuedy your nychtbour, burges of the said burgh, that I am leirnand at the scoill and as your wisdomes knawis my fadir has mony childrene ma nor I quhair throuch he may nocht sustene me to hald me at the scoillis in my youtheid to leirne vertu and your maisterschippis hes the said prebendarie of the Rude and Halie Blude altare, baith vnit in ane, situat within the paroche kirk of Peblis now vacand in your handis as vndouttit patrones thairof be deceis of vmquhile Sir James Dauidsone last prebendare of the samin ; quhairfore desyring your maisterschippis effectuslie that I may haif the gift and donatioun of the prebendarie and altaris, rentis, prouentis, annuell rentis, commoditeis and proffittis, pertenand thairto, for the space of ten yeris, nixt heirefter following, to sustene me at the scoillis quhairthrouch I may leirne to minister the Ewangell of Jesu Christ, and failyene that I be nocht abill and qualifiit at

the end of the said ten yeris quhen I cum to the yeris of discretioun the said prebendarie and proffittis thairof to [returne] in your maisterschippis handis as vndouttid patrones thairof to be disponit be your maisterschippis als frelie as of before and your maisterschippis ansuer maist humlie I beseik. Efter the reding and publicatioun of the said supplicatioun the baillies in jugement requirit and askit at Mongo Williamsone and Adam Gilleis thair officiaris and burro seriandis of the said burgh of Peblis gif thai had warnit all nychtburis and conburgenses of the said burgh to heir the said prebendarie disponit, quha ansuerit sayand thai had warnit all nychtbourris dure be dure to the effect foirsaid: Consideratioun beand tane thairof the saidis baillies votit the samin be fre electioun of the haill communite being present for the tyme quha gaif the said Johne Tuedy sone to the said Thomas Tuedy the gift and donatioun of the said prebendarie and of the rentis, prouentis, emolimentis commoditeis dewities and vtheris proffittis of the samin pertenand to the said prebendarie, to peceabillie brouk, jois, lift, rais and vptak the saidis proffitis for the saidis ten yeris till hald him at the scoillis with; and forthir efter the said ten yeris to brouk and jois the samin for all the dayis of his lifetyme being found qualifiit to serf and mak ministratioun in the kirk of God; and failyene he be nocht fund qualifiit at the end of the saidis ten yeris as said is it salbe lesume to the foirsaidis patrones to gyf the said prebendarie agane of new to ony vther that they think maist abill and qualifiit thairfor conforme to the lawis of this realme; and the said baillies and counsall hes ordanit [this] present gift and donatioun abuf writtin be resawit in registar [in thair] commoun bukis and the [samin to haif] the strenth of [ane eu]dent. In witness of [the quhilk thing the] said baillies hes subscryuit thir presentis with our handis in maner following togider with the [subscrip]tioun of our commoun clerk and affixt our commoun seill heirto for the counsall and communitte consent to the samin. At our said burgh day yeir and place abuf writting befor thir witness; James Tuede, Johne Wychtman, Johne Frissall, Andro Frank, burgessis, etc.

Johne Horsbrvk, ballye. Patrik Dykesone, baillye.

Ita est. Joannes Dikisone, notarius publicus ac [communa] scriba dicti burgi, sub mei [signa]o et subscriptione manualibus. . . .

XXXVIII.

GRANT by the Archbishop of Glasgow to Mr Henry Balfour of the office of Commissary of the Commissariat of Peebles. Leith, 6th November 1609.

BE IT KEND till all men be thir present letteres: We, Johnne archibischope of Glasgow, vnderstanding that our louit Mr Henrie Balfoure, aduocate, hes bene thir money yeiris bygane exercit in actionis and caussis belanging to the commissariatis jurisdictionis quhairthrow he is apt and able to discharge the office of ane commissar within the boundis of Teviotdaill, Liddisdaill, Tweddaill and vtheris boundis in the pairtis subiect of befoir to repair to the commissariatis of Edinburgh and Lawder, perteneing to our diocie of Glasgow, to the honest and faithfull dischairge quhairof we haif ane speciall regaird: THAIRFOIR wit ye ws to haif nominat and constitute, and be thir presentis nominatis and constitutis, the said Mr Henrie our commissar within the haill boundis foirsaid: Gevand to him the office thairof, with all feis casualiteis and dewteis pertening and belanging thairto, during all the dayis of his lyftyme; with full power to the said Mr Henrie to sit within the burgh of Peiblis sua that the said commissariat in all tyme heirefter salbe callit the commissariat of Peiblis, to create procuratouris, officeris and all vtheris memberis of court neidfull, and to vse and exerce the said office syclyk and als frielie as ony commissar within our diocie vses and exerces the samyn, and to conferme all testamentis gryt and small within the samyn boundis, the quotis quhairof sall pertene and belang to ws, for the quhilk the said Mr Henrie sall be ansuerable according to the iniunctionis gevin be ws to him thairanent and obligatioun maid thairvpone. IN WITNES QUHAIROF, we haue subscriuit thir presentis with our handis, at Leith, the saxt day of November the yeir of God j^{m} vj^{c} and nyne yeiris, befoir thir witnessis Johne Thomesoun writter to His Maiesteis signet, Andro Hay and Robert Blint our servitouris.

ANDRO HAY, witnes. GLASGOW.
ROBART BLINT, witnes.

XXXIX.

LETTER by the Archbishop of Glasgow to the provost, bailies, and councillors of Peebles as to the commissariat of Peebles. Off Edinburgh, 9th November 1609.

RYCHT TRAIST FREINDIS. At the instant sute of your neighbouris quhom yow directit hither, and for dyverse other guid considerationis, I haif appointit the Commissariat of these boundis to remain with yow in Peblis. I dout not as ye haif bein ernest to haif yowr town the seat of that judicatorie so ye wil haif care to se the judgis and thair memberis of courte weil vsit, and to your poweris wil assist the executioun of thair sentencis and suffer nothing to be done quhairby we may be movit to mak change or alteratioun afterwardis, quhilk we salbe lothe to do for ony manis request or perswasioun, that plaice hafing been the first choyse we maid in our awin mynd and certainly I tak it to be the fittest place. But because I must end with yow at this tym I commend thaim al to your kynd and guid vsage, assuring yow of my constant and vnchangeable mynd towardis yow in this point and of any plesure else lyis in me to do to your town or either of yow. And so I commit yow to Almychtie God. Of Edinburgh the 9 day of November 1609.

Yowr assurit freind at my power,

GLASGOW.

To my very guid and ay traist freindis the proveist balyeis and counsal of the town of Peblis.

XL.

CHARTER of Confirmation and Novodamus by King James the Sixth, under the Great Seal, to the Provost, Bailies, Councillors, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, of their several lands, rights, and privileges. Newmarket, 19th November 1621.

JACOBUS Dei gracia Magne Britannie Francie et Hybernie rex et fidei defensor; omnibus probis hominibus totius terre sue clericis et laicis, salutem:

JAMES, by the grace of God king of Great Britain, France, and Ireland, defender of the faith, to all good men of his whole land, clergy and laity, greeting: Know ye

Sciatis nos, post nostram legitimam et perfectam ætatem completam omnesque nostras tam speciales quam generales revocationes, considerantes assiduam curam et singulare studium que nos nostrique nobilissimi progenitores dignissime memorie in burgorum regalium erectione infra regnum nostrum Scotie contulimus, in quorum incremento civilitas, emolumentum et eiusdem regni decus consistunt, ipsumque quotidie augetur et ditatur; ac nos in memoriam revocantes antiquam erectionem burgi nostri de Peblis, egregia beneficia et memorabilia ac grata servicia per ballivos, consules, burgenses et communitatem dicti burgi nostri de Peblis, absque vlla suspicione, culpa aut crimine, omni occasione preterita tam bello quam pace prestita et impensa, non solum adversus hostes externos patriam propugnando, verum etiam corporum et bonorum suorum obiectu apertis et manifestis oppressoribus tam in oris Anglie quam Scocie reluctando; acetiam magna detrimenta et damna per eos inde perpessa, et in transgressores aliosque legum nostrarum infra regnorum nostrorum limites violatores animadvertendo vrbe sepius spoliata, incensa, vasta et desolata, precontigua dictis oris adjacenti, ac in memoriam revocantes dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis locum commodissimum semper extitisse vbi juris administratio pro tempore tutam et securam residentiam ac tuitionem pro malefactoribus apud eiusdem curias Justiciarie particulares

that we, after our lawful full and perfect age, and all our revocations, as well special as general, considering the assiduous care and singular diligence which we and our most noble ancestors of most worthy memory have taken in the erection of royal burghs within our kingdom of Scotland, in the increase of which, the policy advantage and glory of our said kingdom consists, and is thereby daily augmented and renowned, and we calling to remembrance the ancient erection of our burgh of Peebles, the great benefits, memorable and thankful services done and performed by the bailies, burgesses, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, without any suspicion, fault or crime in every past occasion, as well in peace as war, not only by defending the country against foreign enemies, but also by exposing their persons and estates in resisting open and evident oppressors, as well on the borders of England as of Scotland, and likewise the great prejudice and loss sustained by them thereby, both in punishing criminals and other breakers of the law within the marches of our kingdom, the town lying contiguous to the said borders being often sacked, burnt, laid waste and desolated, likewise calling to our remembrance that the said burgh of Peebles has always been a very convenient place where the administration of justice for the time might have a safe and secure residence and defence, for punishing malefactors at the particular courts of justiciary thereof, and

puniendis habere potuerit, ac per dictum burgum eiusdemque incolas semper ab aperta invasione protecta, conservata et suffulta extiterit; ac nos benevolentes jura et priuilegia dicto nostro burgo de Peblis, burgensibus et incolis eiusdem, ab antiquo concessa tueri, vt iis inde in fideli officio et servicio persistendi melior occasio daretur; IGITUR nos, cum avisamento et consensu predilecti nostri consanguinei et consiliarii Joannis comitis de Mar, domini Erskyn et Gareoch etc. magni nostri Thesaurarii computorum Rotulatoris et Collectoris generalis dicti regni nostri Scocie, ac reliquorum Dominorum nostri Secreti Consilii nostrorum commissionariorum eiusdem regni nostri, ratificauimus, approbauimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmauimus, tenoreque euisdem ratificamus, approbamus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus omnes et quascunque cartas, infeofamenta, precepta et sasinarum instrumenta, confirmationes, acta, decreta et sententias, jura, securitates, scripta, evidentias, dona, donationes, libertates, commoditates et priuilegia, facta, data et concessa per nos aut nobilissimos nostros progenitores prefato nostro burgo de Peblis et incolis ejusdem eorumque successoribus, cum omnibus ecclesiis, collegiis, prebendariis et capellaniis dicti burgi, de quibuscunque formis aut modis contento siue contentis, data siue datis eadem existunt; Et presertim absque vllo preiudicio generalitatis predictas par-

has been always protected, preserved and supported from open invasion by the said burgh and inhabitants thereof: and we being willing to defend the rights and privileges anciently granted to our said burgh of Peebles and to the burgesses and inhabitants of the same, that thenceforth a better opportunity may be given them of continuing in their faithful office and service: THEREFORE, we, with the advice and consent of our well beloved cousin and councillor, John, earl of Mar, lord Erskine, and Gareoch, &c., our high Treasurer, comptroller and general collector of our said Kingdom of Scotland, and of the rest of the lords of our privy council, commissioners of our said kingdom, have ratified, approved, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor thereof, ratify, approve, and for us and our successors for ever, confirm all and whatever charters, infeftments, precepts and instruments of sasine, confirmations, acts, decrees and sentences, rights, securities, writs, evidents, gifts, grants, liberties, commodities and privileges, made, given, and granted by us or our most noble ancestors to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, and to the inhabitants of the same and their successors, with all the churches, colleges, prebendaries and chaplainries of the said burgh of whatever forms or modes, content or contents, date or dates, the same may be; and especially without any prejudice to the generality foresaid, the particular

ticulares cartas, infeofamenta, jura et evidentias subtus specificatas, donationes, priuilegia, dona, libertates, commoditates et immunitates inibi mentionatas, videlicet, CARTAM per quondam Jacobum Secundum Scotorum Regem dignissime memorie prefato burgo nostro de Peblis burgensibus et communitati eiusdem factam, de omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, libertatibus, sasinis et possessionibus, dictis burgensibus ac dicto burgo factis et concessis per dictum quondam Regem suosque antecessores super infeofamentis et libertatibus dicti burgi, curiis, burgensium creatione, eorumque conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi repiegiatione, firmis, minutis custumis, eschaetis et curiarum amerciamentis, electione, creatione et approbatione officiariorum, transgressorum punitione, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupatione et venatione, in tantum quantum ad dictum quondam Jacobum Regem Secundum suosque antecessores ante infeofamentum dicti burgi pertinuerunt, cum communitatibus, pasturagiis, libero exitu et intoritu ad moram nostram regiam de Cadmure, Hammildoun et Wenlaw cum pertinentiis, ac communi pasturagio cum libero exitu et introitu ad terras de Glentars a solis ortu et eiusdem occasu, quequidem ad dictum nostrum burgum de Peblis annexate sunt: ITEM, ALIAM cartam per quondam Jacobum Quartum Scotorum Regem predicto nostro burgo de Peblis, conburgensibus et communitati eiusdem, eorumque successoribus factam, datam et concessam de omnibus et singulis

charters, infeftments, rights and evidents, under specified, and the gifts, privileges, grants, liberties, commodities and immunities therein mentioned, viz., a Charter granted by the late James the Second, King of Scots, of most worthy memory, to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, burgesses and community thereof, of all and sundry infeftments, liberties, sasines, and possessions made and granted to the said burgesses and the said burgh, by the said deceased king and his ancestors, of the infeftments and liberties of the said burgh, courts, creation of burgesses and the repledging of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of the said burgh, duties, petty customs, escheats, and fines of court, election, creation and approbation of officers, punishment of transgressors, mills, multures, and their sequels, hawking and hunting, in so far as belonged to the said King James the Second and his ancestors before the infeftment of the said burgh, with commonties, pasturages, free ish and entry to our royal muir of Cademuir, Hammildoun, and Venlaw, with the pertinents, and with common pasturage and free ish and entry to the lands of Glentarss from sunrise to sunset, which are annexed to our said burgh of Peebles; as also another Charter made, given and granted by the late James the Fourth King of Scots to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, the co-burgesses and community of the same and their successors of all and sundry liberties, sasines,

libertatibus, sasinis et possessionibus per eos eorumque predicessores antea habitis et vsitatis, ac etiam de omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, sasinis, possessionibus et priuilegiis, super antedictis infeofamentis et libertatibus, prefato nostro burgo quovis tempore preterito datis et concessis, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et communitati curias tenendi et habendi, cum burgensium creatione eorumque conburgensium ac dicti nostri burgi inhabitantium replagiatione, vnacum firma burgali, minutis custumis, amerciamentis curiarum, eschaetis, officiariorum electione, et transgressorum punitione infra dictum burgum, sicuti nostri burgi regales habent, vna etiam cum molendinis et presertim cum molendino super latere Castri montis de Peblis edificato, amnibus molendinariis, multuris, seruiciis, ac cum domibus et edificiis super latere dicti Castri montis edificatis, cum aquis, piscationibus, aucupationibus, venationibus, in tantum quantum ad dictum quondam Jacobum Regem suosque antecessores ante infeofamentum dicti burgi pertinuerunt; cum montibus, terris et vallibus, ac vsu earundem, super eorum terris communibus de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw, et Commoun Struther, eisdemque vtendi et gaudendi per pasturationem, arationem et seminationem, prout ipsis opportunum et expedientissimum visum fuerit, ac sicuti illi eorumque predicessores eisdem perprius vsi et gavisi sunt; ac cum communi pasturagio, libero exitu et introitu ad communiam de Glentars a solis ortu et eiusdem

and possessions formerly had and enjoyed by them and their predecessors; and also of all and singular infeftments, sasines, possessions and privileges of the foresaid infeftments and liberties given and granted to our foresaid burgh at any time bypast, with power to the said co-burgesses and community of having and holding courts with creation of burgesses, the repledging of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of our said burgh, together with the burgh farm, petty customs, fines of court, escheats, election of officers, and punishing of transgressors within the said burgh such as our royal burghs have, together also with mills and especially with the mill built upon the side of the Castle-hill of Peebles, mill-dams, multures sequels and with houses and biggings built upon the side of the said Castle-hill with waters, fishings, hawkings, huntings so far as they belonged to the said King James and his ancestors before the infeftment of the said burgh, with hills lands and valleys, and use of the same upon their common lands of Cademuir, Homildoun, Venlaw and Common Struther and of using and enjoying the same by pasturage, tillage and sowing in such manner as they shall think most convenient and expedient, and as they and their predecessors used and enjoyed the same of before, and with common pasturage free ish and entry to the common of Glentars from sunrise to sunset, and

occasu, ac in vsitatione viarum, metarum et communitatum, prout in usu fuerunt, absque vllo impedimento cuiuscunque persone aut personarum, pro eorum focalium portatione et tractione ac omnium aliorum necessariorum ad dictum burgum et eiusdem communitatem, absque impedimento cuiuscunque persone aut personarum infra aut extra dictum burgum, vt dictum est, habitantium ; cum communi pasturagio super mora vocata *lie Kingismure* in passagio de Cadmure, et adeo libere sicuti dictus burgus aliquibus priuilegiorum [ante]dictorum quovis tempore preterito gavisus est aut possidebat, prout in dicta carta de data apud Edinburgum vigesimo quarto die mensis Julij, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo [sexto] latius continetur; ITEM ALIAM CARTAM, per quondam Dauidem Regem dignissime memorie, capellanie Sancte Marie infra dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis fundate concessam, de molendino de Innerlethaine cum integris multuris que ab antiquo ad molendinum de Traquair pertinuerunt, super boreali latere aque de Tweid a villa de Horsburgh ad *lie Gaithopburne*, prout in dicta carta de data vigesimo die mensis Septembris et regni dicti Davidis anno tricesimo octavo latius continetur; Vnacum omnibus aliis et singulis cartis, infeofamentis, donis, donationibus, priuilegiis, immunitatibus, actis parliamenti, decretis, et sententiis, per nos aut nobilissimos nostros progenitores, aut per quamcunque aliam personam aut personas, factis et concessis, in et ad

the use of the ways meiths and commonties as they have been accustomed, without any impediment of any person or persons, for the bringing and carrying of peats, and all other necessaries, to the said burgh and community of the same, without impediment of any person or persons dwelling within or without the said burgh, as said is ; with common pasturage on the muir called the King's Muir, in the passage of Cademuir, and as freely as the said burgh enjoyed or possessed any of the said privileges at any time by-past, as is more fully contained in the said Charter, dated at Edinburgh, the twenty-fourth day of the month of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand five hundred [and six] ; And also another Charter granted by the late King David, of most worthy memory of the Chaplainry of St Mary founded within our said burgh of Peebles, and of the mill of Innerleithen, with the whole multures which belonged of old to the mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the water of Tweed, from the village of Horsburgh to the Gaithopeburn as is more fully contained in the said charter, dated the twentieth day of September, and of the reign of the said David, the thirty-eighth year ; together with all and singular charters, infeftments, gifts, grants, privileges, immunities, acts of Parliament, decrees, and sentences made and granted by us, or our most noble progenitors, or by any other person or persons whatever, to and in favour of the

favorem dictorum prepositi, balliuorum, consulum et communitatis dicti burgi nostri de Peblis pro tempore, eorumque predicessorum et successorum quorumcunque, penes erectionem dicti burgi in vnum liberum burgum regalem, ac de omnibus juribus, titulis, et priuilegiis, de jure seu regni nostri consuetudine eidem spectantibus; Omnibusque et singulis terris, montibus, vallibus, viis, semitis, moris, marresiis, eensubus, amerciamentis et curiarum eschactis, domibus, edificiis, tenementis, hortis, donationibus, possessionibus, molendinis, terris molendinariis, multuris, annibus, ripis, redditibus, annuis redditibus, omnibusque earundem pertinentiis; Ac de omnibus nundinis et foris, cum immunitatibus, priuilegiis et custumis earundem vsitatis et consuetis, ac de omnibus aliis libertatibus, terris, redditibus, et jurisdictionibus quibus dicti prepositus, balliui, consules et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis, per seipsos eorumve predicessores, quovis tempore preterito gavisi sunt, possiderunt, aut vsi sunt, aut quibus illi pro presenti quocunque modo gaudent, vtuntur, aut possident: Ac etiam omnes et singulas mortificationes, jura patronatuum, infeofamenta, donationes, et dispositiones, per nos aut predicessores nostros, aut quamcunque aliam personam aut personas, prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi eorumque predicessoribus, factis et concessis, de quibuscunque terris, tenementis, domibus, edificiis, supremo et *lie croce kirk* dicti burgi, cemeteriis, prebendariis,

foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh of Peebles, for the time and of their predecessors and successors whatsoever, concerning the erection of the said burgh into a free royal burgh, and of all rights, titles, and privileges, belonging to the same by the law or custom of our kingdom, and with all and sundry lands, hills, valleys, ways, paths, muirs, marshes, duties, customs, fines and escheats of courts, houses, biggings, tenements, yards, gifts, possessions, mills, milllands, multures, with dams, banks, rents, annual-rents and all others their pertinents, and of all fairs and markets with the immunities, privileges and customs of the same, used and wont, and of all other liberties, lands, rents and jurisdictions which the said provost, bailies, counsellors, and community of the said burgh of Peebles, used, possessed, or enjoyed by themselves or their predecessors at any time by-past, or which they now possess, use, or enjoy in any manner of way: As also, all and singular mortifications, rights of patronage, infeftments, gifts, and dispositions, made and granted by us or our predecessors, or any other person or persons, to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh, and their predecessors of whatsoever lands, tenements, houses, biggings, the High and Cross Kirks of the said burgh,

capellis, capellaniis, feudifirmis, obitibus, et anniversariis, vbicunque infra aut extra dictum nostrum burgum jacent, particulariter et generaliter in dictis donis, donationibus, mortificationibus, dispositionibus, aut eorum aliquibus, contentis, secundum formas et tenores eorundem, cum omnibus actis, sententiis, et decretis de eisdem aut aliqua earundem factis et concessis. INSUPER VOLUMUS et concedimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, pro perpetuo decernimus et ordinamus quod dicta g[eneralitas nullo modo erit preiud]icio nec obstaculo specialitati, et specialitas nullo modo erit preiudicio aut obstaculo generalitati, et quod presens haec nostra confirmatio et approbatio premissorum est, et erit omni tempore affuturo, in se bona valida et sufficiens omnibus in respectibus prefato [burgo nostro de Peblis, preposito, bal]liuis, consulibus et communitati eiusdem eorumque successoribus, ac si omnia et singula dicta infeofamenta, dona, donationes, confirmationes, jura, tituli, securitates, scripta, evidentie, decreta, priuilegia et commoditates, tam specialiter quam generaliter inibi mentionata, [ad longum et verbatim in hac presenti carta nostra] inserentur, non obstante minime insertione earundem super quo nos pro nobis et successoribus nostris dispensauimus, ac per presentis carte nostre tenorem dispensamus imperpetuum: PRETEREA nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto, pro bono fideli et gratuito seruicio n[obis] et nobilissimis

burial-places, prebendaries, chapels, chaplainaries, feu-duties, obits, and anniversaries, wherever they lie, within or without our said Burgh, particularly and generally contained in the said grants, gifts, mortifications, dispositions or any of them, according to the forms and tenors of the same, with all acts, sentences, and decreets made and granted, of the same, or any of them. MOREOVER, We will and grant and for us and our successors, with advice and consent foresaid, for ever, decern and ordain that the said generality shall be no prejudice or obstacle to the speciality, and that the speciality shall be no prejudice or obstacle to the generality, and that this our present confirmation and approbation of the premises is and shall be, in all time coming, in itself good, valid and sufficient, in all respects, to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, to the provost, bailies, councillors and community of the same, and their successors, as if all and singular the said infeftments, grants, gifts, confirmations, rights, titles, securities, writs, evidents, decrees, privileges and commodities as well specially as generally therein mentioned, were inserted at length and *verbatim* in this our present charter, notwithstanding the non-insertion of the same, wherewith we for ourselves and our successors, have dispensed, and by the tenor of this our present charter dispense for ever: MOREOVER, with advice and consent foresaid, for the good faithful and gratuitous service made and done to us, and our most noble progenitors

nostris progenitoribus per dictos prepositum, ballivos, consules et communitatem dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque predicessores prestito et impenso, et vt iis in dicto fideli seruicio persistendi melior occasio daretur, DE NOVO dedimus, concessimus, disposuimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmauimus, tenoreque eiusdem de novo damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus, prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus imperpetuum, totum et integrum predictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, cum omnibus et singulis libertatibus, sasinis, priuilegiis et possessionibus per eos eorumque predicessores vsitatis et habitis, cum omnibus et singulis infeofamentis, sasinis, possessionibus et priuilegiis, quovis tempore preterito super dictis infeofamentis et libertatibus predicto nostro burgo datis et concessis, cum potestate dictis conburgensibus et communitati curias habendi et tenendi, cum creatione conburgensium, et eorum conburgensium et inhabitantium dicti burgi replagiatione, cum censu burgali et minutis custumis, eiusdem eschaetis et dictarum curiarum amerciamentis, officiariorum creatione et transgressorum infra dictum burgum punitione, sicuti reliqui nostri burgi regales infra dictum nostrum regnum Scocie habent: CUM potestate etiam dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi eorumque successoribus, frequentandi, vtendi et

by the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh of Peebles and their predecessors, and that better encouragement may be given to them to continue the said faithful service, we have of new given, granted, and disponed, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor thereof of new give, grant, and dispone, and for us and our successors for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailics, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles and their successors for ever All and Whole our said burgh of Peebles, with all and singular liberties, sasines, privileges and possessions used and had by them and their predecessors, with all and singular infeftments, sasines, possessions and privileges, made and granted at any time bypast concerning the said infeftments and liberties to our foresaid burgh of Peebles, with power to the said burgesses and community of having and holding courts, with the creation of co-burgesses and the repledging of their co-burgesses and the inhabitants of the said burgh, with the burgh-farm and petty customs of the same, escheats and fines of the said courts, creation of officers and punishment of transgressors within the said burgh, as the rest of our royal burghs have within our said kingdom of Scotland, with power likewise to the said provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh and their successors, of frequenting, using, and exercising the trade and traffic

exercendi mercaturas, *lie trade and trafficque of merchandice*, emendi, transigendi, vendendi et revendendi omne genus mercantiarum, tam peregrinarum quam conterranearum, non solum infra libertatem et territorium ac jurisdictionem dicti nostri burgi sed etiam infra omnes alias partes infra integras bondas vicecomitatus nostri de Peblis tam regalitatis quam regalis ; Cum potestate etiam dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, factoribus et seruitoribus eorum nominibus omnes parvas custumas aliasque devorias infra bondas predictas intromittendi, levandi et recipiendi; Ac infra eundem burgum et territorium eiusdem pro perpetuo mercatorum gilda gaudendi, fruendi et possidendi, cum gildarum curiis, concilio, membris et jurisdictione eidem pertinentibus, libertatibus et priuilegiis huiusmodi, similiter et adeo libere sicuti per nos aut predicessores nostros quibusuis liberorum nostrorum burgorum regalium infra dictum regnum nostrum Scocie concessa sunt : Ac etiam infra predictum burgum hepdomadatim dies forales secundum vsum et consuetudinem dicti burgi habendi, gaudendi, fruendi, et exercendi, vnacum tribus liberis nundinis ter in anno, prima earundem annuatim tertio die mensis Maii, *lie Beltane day* vocato, incipienda, et eandem pro spatio quadraginta octo horarum postea tenendi et continuandi ; secunda vero dictarum nundinarum vigesimo nono die mensis Junii, vocato *Sanct Petiris day*,

of merchandise, buying, transacting, selling, and re-selling all kinds of merchandise, as well foreign as domestic, not only within the liberty and territory and jurisdiction of our said burgh, but likewise within all other places within the whole bounds of our sheriffdom of Peebles, as well of regality as royal, with power likewise to the said provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, their factors and servants in their names, of intromitting with, levying and receiving, all the petty customs and other duties, within the foresaid bounds; and for ever using enjoying and possessing a guild of merchants within the said burgh, and territory thereof, with guild courts, council, members, and jurisdiction thereto belonging, liberties and privileges of the same, sicklike and as freely as they were granted by us or our predecessors to any one of our free royal burghs within our said kingdom of Scotland: As also of holding, using, enjoying, and exercising within the foresaid burgh, weekly market-days, according to the use and custom of the said burgh, together with three free fairs thrice in the year, the first thereof beginning yearly upon the third day of the month of May, called Beltane day, the same to be held and continued for the space of forty-eight hours thereafter ; the second of the said fairs, to begin upon the twenty-ninth day of June called St Peter's day, and to continue for the space of forty-

incipienda ac pro spatio quadraginta octo horarum deinceps continuandi; et tertia vero dictarum nundinarum vigesimo quarto die mensis Augusti, vocato *Sanct Bartholmois day*, incipienda et pro spatio octo dierum postea secundum vsum solitum et consuetum tenendi et continuandi, vnacum vicecomitis feodo, vicecomitis chyrothecis, toloniis, custumis, impositionibus, exactionibus, omnibusque aliis feodis, devoriis, priuilegiis et libertate que ad dicta fora et nundinas durante tempore earundem pertinere dignoscuntur, similiter adeoque libere in omnibus respectibus sicuti quivis alius liber burgus infra dictum regnum nostrum suis foris et nundinis fruuntur et possident, aut que illi eorumve predicessores eisdem antea fruebantur et possidebant: MANDANTES ET PRECIPIENTES ne vlla persona seu persone, vel regalitatis seu regalis, qui non burgenses dicti nostri burgi existunt, vsurpare, exercere aut occupare infra vicecomitatum burgi nostri de Peblis, aut bondas vicecomitatus eiusdem, mercaturas, aut vsu[m] mercimonii tam peregrini quam conterranei ad liberum burgum regalem spectantes, aut aliquam partem vel priuilegium liberum burgum tangentem, sub pena incarcerationis earum personarum earumque mercimonii confiscationis, presumant: INSUPER nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto damus et concedimus plenam potestatem, commissionem et authoritatem prefatis preposito, balliuis et consulibus dicti nostri burgi eorumque successibus, acta, statuta et ordinationes pro dicti burgi communi bono et proficuo ac

eight hours thereafter; and the third of the said fairs, to begin upon the twenty-fourth day of the month of August, called St Bartholomew's day, and to be held and continue for the space of eight days thereafter, according to use and wont, together with the sheriff's fee, sheriff's gloves, tolls, customs, impositions, exactions, and all other fees, duties, privileges and liberty, which are known to pertain to the said fairs and markets, during the time of the same, sicklike and as freely in all respects as any other free burgh within our said kingdom enjoys and possesses their said fairs or markets, or which they or their predecessors formerly possessed or enjoyed the same. Commanding and charging that no person or persons, either of regality or royalty, who are not burgesses of the said burgh, presume to usurp, exercise, or occupy within the sheriffdom of our said burgh of Peebles, or the bounds of the shire of the same, either merchandise, or the use of merchandise, whether foreign or domestic belonging to a free royal burgh, or any part or privilege belonging to a free burgh, under the pain of imprisonment of their persons and confiscation of their merchandise: MOREOVER, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give and grant full power, commission, and authority to the foresaid provost, bailies, and councillors, of our said burgh, and their successors, to make and publish acts, statutes and ordinances, for the common good and profit of the said

libertatum et priuilegiorum eiusdem tuitione. per omnes inhabitantes et eiusdem burgi burgenses, omnesque alias personas eo commorantes et frequentantes, observanda sub talibus penis sicuti ipsis videbitur expediens, faciendi et promulgandi, cum speciali potestate iisdem infra territorium dicti burgi dicta acta et ordinationes, cum omnibus actis parliamenti, generalis aut secreti consilii, burgorum constitutionibus, omnibusque aliis decretis et sententiis in favorem dictarum eorum libertatum datis aut dandis, factis aut pronunciandis, ad finalem executionem ponendi, et pro eorundem meliori executione in iisdem sedendi, judicandi et decernendi, cum speciali potestate ipsis omnes personas, dictorum suorum priuilegiorum, actorum, constitutionum, decretorum et sententiarum predictarum violatores, vocandi, prosequendi, arrestandi, incarcerandi, eosdemque prout ipsis videbitur expedieus mulctandi et amerciandi, quasquidem mulctas et penas nos, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, communi vsui dicti burgi et ad suppeditationem communium necessariorum eiusdem damus et disponimus : PRETEREA nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto DE NOVO assedavimus et ad feudifirmam hereditarie dimisimus, dedimus, concessimus, disposuimus et hac presenti carta nostra confirmavimus, tenoreque eiusdem de novo assedamus et ad feudifirmam hereditarie dimittimus, damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliuis, con-

burgh, and for maintenance of the liberties and privileges of the same, to be observed by all the inhabitants and burgesses of the said burgh and all other persons dwelling and haunting there, under such penalties as to them shall seem expedient, with special power to them within the territory of the said burgh, to put to final execution the said acts and ordinances, with all acts of parliament, general or secret council, constitutions of burghs, and all other decrees and sentences given or to be given, made or to be pronounced, in favour of the liberties thereof, and for the better execution of the same, to sit, judge and decern thereon, with special power to them of calling, prosecuting, arresting, and incarcerating, and of fining and amerciating, as to them shall seem expedient, all persons violating their said privileges, acts, constitutions, decrees, and sentences foresaid ; which fines and penalties, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give and dispone to the common use of the said burgh, and to the supply of common necessaries : MOREOVER we, with advice and consent foresaid, have of new let and in feu-farm heritably, let, given, granted, disponed, and by this our present charter confirmed, and by the tenor hereof we of new set, and in feu-farm heritably, let, give, grant, dispone, and for us and our successors for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said

sulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, totas et integras terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw et Struther, Castellimontem de Peblis cum molendino granario vocato lie *the Ruidmylne*, et molendino fullonum super latere dicti Castri montis edificato, cumque molendino granario vocato *the Auldmylne* super aqua de Peblis ex boreali latere eiusdem, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, multuris, sequelis, et omnibus earundem pertinentiis, cum integris domibus et tenementis super dictum Castellimontem edificatis et earundem pertinentiis; dictum molendinum granarium de Innerlethaine, cum integris multuris que ab antiquo ad dictum molendinum de Traquair pertinuerunt super boreali latere aque de Tweid a villa de Horsburgh ad lie Gaithopburne, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, astrictis multuris, sequelis, et pertinentiis earundem, ac terras prope dictum molendinum vocatas *lie Hilhoussis* cum terris vocatis *lie Thomashauch* et earundem pertinentiis, vnacum molendino fullonum de Innerlethaine et eiusdem pertinentiis, cum integris aquis et piscationibus tam salmonum quam aliorum piscium super aquis de Tweid et Peblis, aliisque piscationibus ad dictum burgum spectantibus et quas illi eorumque predicessores quovis tempore preterito possederunt; vnacum custumis apud pontem de Tweid solitis et consuetis: Ac ETIAM damus, concedimus, disponimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus

burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and haill the lands of Cadmure, Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, the Castle-hill of Peebles, with the corn-mill, called the Ruid-mill and waulk-mill, built upon the side of the said Castle-hill, and with the corn-mill, called the Auld-mill, upon the water of Peebles, on the north side of the same, with mill-lands, mill-dams, multures, sequels, and all their pertinents, with the haill houses and tenements built upon the said Castle Hill, and their pertinents, the said corn-mill of Innerleithen, with the haill multures, which pertained of old to the said Mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the water of Tweed, from the village of Horsburgh to the Gaithopeburn, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, astricted multures, and pertinents of the same, and the lands near the said mill called Hillhouses with the lands called Thomashauch, together with the waulk-mill of Innerleithen and pertinents of the same, with the haill waters and fishings as well of salmon as other fishes, upon the waters of Tweed and Peebles, and other fishings belonging to the said burgh, and which they and their predecessors have possessed at any time bypast, together with the customs at the bridge of Tweed used and wont. AND ALSO, we give, grant, dispone, and for us and our successors, for ever

nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefato burgo in communitate solummodo, secundum infeofamenta supraspecificata, totas et integras terras de Glentars, comprehendentes particulares terras subscriptas, viz. Carcad, Dovank, Brounmure, Hollielaw, Cramsykis, Pilmure, Cruikishope, Cruikislaw, Quhytfeild, Rogamountis, Dounrig, Annatishope, Douncleuch, Birniebank, Helenecleuch, Kingiskippis, Carlingcraig, Langhopheid, Summarcleuch, Craigendis, Glenferriat, Sommersyid, Commounhill, Quhytsyike, Glenlude, Hairfauldrig, Castelgerret, Lambla, Brounhill, Card, Tuafauldrig, Eister Castellgerret, Westir Cramsykis et Cairsman, vnacum omnibus aliis partibus, pendiculis et pertinentiis dictarum terrarum de Glentars, prout eadem tendunt a bondis de Hammildoun ad lie Burnefute et inde ad Gaithope et deorsum Gaithopeburne ad Tweid : NECNON damus, concedimus, disponimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, omnes et singulas prefatas terras vocatas *lie the Kingismure* jacentes prope dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, Quequidem ad quondam Cuthbertum Elphingstoun de Henderstoun et Joannem Elphingstoun eius filium pertinerunt : INSUPER nos cum avisamento et consensu prescripto damus, concedimus et disponimus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, priuilegium

confirm to the foresaid burgh in commonty only, according to the infeftments above specified, all and haill the lands of Glentars, comprehending the particular lands underwritten, viz.,—Carcad, Dovank, Brounmure, Hollielaw, Cramsykes, Pilmure, Cruikishope, Cruikislaw, Quhytfeild, Rogamountis, Dounrig, Annatishope, Douncleugh, Birniebank, Helleneclcuch, Kingiskippis, Carlingcraig, Langhopheid, Summarcleuch, Craigendis, Glenferriat, Sommersyid, Common-hill, Quhytsyike, Glenlude, Hairfauldrig, Castelgerret, Lambla, Brounhill, Card, Tuafauldrig, Eister Castellgerret, Westir Cramsykis, and Cairsman, together with all other parts, pendicles, and pertinents of the said lands of Glentars, as the same go from the bounds of Homildoun to Burnfute, and from thence to Gaithope, and down Gaithopeburn to Tweed. AND LIKEWISE, we give, grant, dispone, and for us and our successors, for ever confirm to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and singular the foresaid lands called the King's Muir, lying near our said burgh of Peebles, which pertained to the late Cuthbert Elphinstone of Henderstone and John Elphinstone his son : MOREOVER, we, with advice and consent foresaid, give, grant, and dispone to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of the said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, the privilege and liberty of

et libertatem omnium viarum, platearum et passagiorum tendentium ad et a dicto burgo ad quascunque alias partes infra hoc regnum nostrum Scocie, dictasque vias et passagia in eorum latitudine et integritate, ne per aliquam personam aut personas destructe aut diminute fuerint, protegendi et conservandi, vnde eo nos facilius iter conficere possumus: Ac etiam nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto damus, concedimus et in feudifirmam dimittimus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, totas et integras communes terras dicti burgi, cum potestate et libertate myricas eradicandi, petaria, turbaria et focalia *lie fewall fuill et dovett*, in communi mora et marresiis, *lie mossis*, dicti burgi, infra omnes quatuor dimidietates dictum burgum ambientibus procul et prope, effodiendi et lucrandi, et quasquidem dicti prepositus, balliui, consules, et communitas eiusdem burgi eorumque predicessores nunc possident aut quocunque tempore preterito possederunt: Preterea nos considerantes diuersa prebendaria, capellanias et altaragia, hospitalia aliaque eiusdem nature infra dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis fundata esse, et quod nunc animo nostro insidet eadem dicto burgo disponere ad eum effectum vt proficua eorundem communibus operibus dicti nostri burgi impetiantur: Igitur nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto de novo damus, concedimus et disponimus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de

all ways, roads, and passages going to and from the said burgh to whatever other parts within this our kingdom of Scotland, and of protecting and preserving the said ways and passages in their length and extent, that the same may not be destroyed or diminished by any person or persons, that whereby we may have easier access thereto: And also, we with advice and consent foresaid, give, grant, and in feu-farm let to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and whole the common lands of the said burgh with power and liberty of pulling heather, of digging and taking away peats, turfs, fewal, feal and divot in the common muir and mosses of the said burgh, within the four corners of the said Burgh, far and near, and which the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh and their predecessors now possess or at any time past did possess: Moreover, we, considering that diverse prebendaries, chaplainaries, and altarages hospitals, and others of the same nature, were founded within our said burgh of Peebles, and that it is now our intention to dispone the same to the said burgh, to the effect that the profits of the same may be expended upon the common works of our said burgh; therefore we, with advice and consent foresaid, of new, give, grant, and dispone to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said

Peblis, omnes et singulas terras, molendina, multuras, annuos redditus, tenementa, feudifirmas, census, canas, custumas, decimas, decimasque garbales, casualitates, proficua et devorias quascunque omnium et singulorum prebendariorum subscriptorum infra dictum nostrum burgum fundatorum ac eidem spectantium et pertinentium, viz: prebendarii Sancte Marie, prebendarii de Halycroce, prebendarii Sancti Michaelis archangeli, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Marie Maior*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Johnne the Baptist*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct Marie Dalyeddes Yle*, prebendarii vocati *Sanctandro*, prebendarii vocati *Sanct James*, prebendarii vocat *Sanct Lawrence* ac prebendarii vocati *Sanct Cristopher* cum capellania vocata *Sanct Marie;* ACETIAM nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto damus, concedimus, disponimus ac pro perpetuo confirmamus prefatis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi nostri de Peblis eorumque successoribus, omnes et singulas alias terras, tenementa, domus, edificia, ecclesias, cum suprema et *lie Croce Kirkis* dicti burgi et cemiteriis eiusdem, capellis, hortis, pomariis, croftis, annuis redditibus, decimis, fructibus, redditibus, devoriis, emolumentis, pecunia eleemosinaria, obitibus pecuniis et anniversariis que ad quascunque capellanias, altaragia aut prebendaria in quacunque ecclesia, capella, collegio aut hospitali infra libertatem predicti burgi, per quemcunque patronum fundata,

burgh of Peebles, all and singular lands, mills, multures, annual rents, tenements, feu-duties, taxes, farms, kains, customs, teinds, teindsheaves, casualties, profits and duties whatsoever, of all and singular the prebendaries underwritten, founded within our said burgh and pertaining and belonging to the same, viz.: the prebendary of St Mary, the prebendary of Haly Croce, the prebendary of St Michael the archangel, the prebendary called St Mary Major, the prebendary called St John the Baptist, the prebendary called St Mary of Geddes Aisle, the prebendary called St Andrew, the prebendary called St James, the prebendary called St Lawrence, and the prebendary called St Christopher, with the chaplainary called St Mary: AND ALSO we, with advice and consent foresaid give, grant, and dispone, and for ever confirm, to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, all and singular other lands, tenements, houses, biggings, churches, with the High and Cross Kirks of the said burgh, and burial-places of the same, chapels, gardens, orchards, crofts, annual rents, teinds, fruits, rents, duties, emoluments, alm-money, obit-money, and anniversaries, which pertained to whatever chaplainaries, altars, or prebendaries, founded by whatsoever patron, in whatever church, chapel, college, or hospital within the liberty of the said burgh, which

pertinuerunt, quos dicti capellani aut prebendarii possiderunt, vbicunque infra libertatem dicti burgi nostri de Peblis jacent, aut de dictis terris et tenementis debitis jacentibus infra eundem, ad quamcunque ecclesiam, capellaniam, prebendarium aut beneficium pertinentibus extra dictum nostrum burgum infra aliquam partem huius regni nostri Scotie fundatam et jacentem : INSUPER nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto ex nostra certa scientia proprioque motu vnivimus, annexauimus et incorporauimus, tenoreque presentium vnimus, annexamus et incorporamus ad et cum dicto burgo de Peblis, statu, priuilegiis et libertatibus predictis eidem burgo concessis, omnes et singulas prenominatas terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenlaw et Struther cum dicto Castelli monte de Peblis, et molendinum granarium vocatum *lie Ruidmylne*, et molendinum fullonum super latere dicti Castelli montis edificatum, cum molendino vocato *the Auld Mylne* super boreali latere aque de Peblis, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, et multuris eiusdem, vnacum integris domibus et tenementis super latere dicti Castri montis edificatis et pertinentiis earundem, cum dicto molendino granario de Innerlethaine et multuris predictis que olim ad dictum molendinum de Traquair super dicto boreali latere predicte aque de Tweid pertinuerunt a dicta villa de Horsburgh ad lie Gaithopeburne, cum terris molendinariis, annibus molendinariis, astrictis multuris, sequelis et pertinentiis earundem, cum molen-

the said chaplainaries or prebendaries possessed, wherever they lie, within the liberty of our said burgh of Peebles, or due out of the said lands and tenements lying within the same, pertaining to whatsoever church, chapel, prebendary, or benefice founded and lying without our said burgh, within any part of this our kingdom of Scotland : MOREOVER, we, with advice and consent foresaid, of our certain knowledge and mere motion have united, annexed, and incorporated, and by the tenor of these presents unite, annex, and incorporate, to and with the said burgh of Peebles, with the estate, privileges and liberties granted to the said burgh, all and singular the forenamed lands of Cadmure, Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, with the said Castle-hill of Peebles, and the grain mills, called Ruid-mill and the Waulk-mill, built upon the side of the said Castle-hill, with the mill called the Auld-mill, upon the north side of the water of Peebles, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, and multures of the same, together with the whole houses and tenements built upon the side of the said castle hill of Peebles, and pertinents of the same, with the said corn-mill of Innerleithen and multures foresaid, which formerly pertained to the said mill of Traquair, upon the north side of the foresaid water of Tweed, from the said village of Horsburgh to the Gaithopeburn, with the mill-lands, mill-dams, astricted multures,

dino fullonum de Innerlethaine et terris prope dictum molendinum vocatis *lie Hilhoussis* et *Thomashauch*, vnacum integris piscationibus tam salmonum quam aliorum piscium in dictis aquis de Tweid et Peblis, omnibusque aliis piscationibus ad dictum burgum pertinentibus et quas burgenses et eiusdem inhabitantes quovis tempore preterito possederunt; Necnon cum dictis custumis apud predictum pontem de Tweid vsitatis et consuetis: ACETIAM omnes et singulas predictas terras de Glentars cum pertinentibus in communitate vt predicitur dispositas, comprehendentes particulares terras supraroitatas infra bondas huiusmodi supraspecificatas, cum predictis terris vocatis *the Kingismure*, que perprius ad dictum quondam Cuthbertum et Joannem Elphingstounes de Henderstoun pertinuerunt, cumque omnibus et singulis predictis viis, semitis et passagiis ad et a dicto burgo tendentibus, minutis custumis, eschaetis, curiarum amerciamentis, officiis et jurisdictionibus eiusdem predictis, penis, ecclesiis, capellaniis, prebendariis et altaragiis, ac cum omnibus et singulis predictis tetris, tenementis, annuis redditibus, decimis, fructibus, redditibus, emolumentis, feudifirmis, canis, custumis, mortificationibus, obitibus aliisque devoriis quibuscunque ad dictas ecclesias, prebendaria, capellanias aut alteragia spectantibus et pertinentibus, jacentes infra dictum burgum aut eiusdem libertatem, seu de dictis terris et tenementis debitis infra eiusdem

sequels, and pertinents of the same, with the Waulk-mill of Innerleithen, and the lands near to the said mill, called Hillhouses and Thomashauch, together with the whole fishings, as well of salmon as of other fishes, in the said waters of Tweed and Peebles, and with all other fishings pertaining to the said Burgh, and which the Burgesses and inhabitants of the same, have at any time past possessed, and likewise with the said customs at the said bridge of Tweed used and wont: AND ALSO, all and singular the foresaid lands of Glentars, with the pertinents in disponed commonty as said is, comprehending the particular lands above recited, within the bounds of the same above specified, with the foresaid lands called the King's Muir, which formerly pertained to the said deceased Cuthbert and John Elphinstone of Henderstone, and with all other and singular the foresaid ways, paths, and passages leading to and from the said burgh, petty customs, escheats, amerciaments of courts, offices, and jurisdictions of the same foresaid, penalties, churches, chaplainaries, prebendaries, and altars, and with all and singular the foresaid lands, tenements, annual rents, teinds, fruits, rents, emoluments, feu-duties, kains, customs, mortifications, obits and other duties whatsoever, pertaining and belonging to the said churches, prebendaries, chaplainaries, or altarages lying within the said burgh or liberty of the same, or due out of the said lands or tenements lying within the said burgh, pertaining to what-

burgum jacentibus, ad quamlibet ecclesiam, capellaniam, prebendarium aut beneficium pertinentibus extra dictum burgum nostrum infra quamlibet partem huius regni nostri Scocie jacentem, et fundatam; Ac predictas communes terras cum priuilegio et libertate myricas eradicandi, ac petaria, turbaria et focalia, *lie fewall, frill et dovett*, infra dictas communes moras et marresia dicti burgi et infra bondas predictas, vsitatis et consuetis, effodiendi et lucrandi, IN VNUM liberum Burgum regalem, tenementum ac tenandriam imperpetuum, Ac volumus et concedimus, ac pro nobis et successoribus nostris decernimus et ordinamus quod vnica sasina semel, vi tute presentis nostri infeofamenti modo et forma subsequenti, preposito aut cuivis vni balliuorum dicti burgi nostri de Peblis pro tempore apud Crucem Foralem eiusdem burgi danda, stabit et ipsis eorumque successoribus sufficiens erit sasina pro toto et integro dicto burgo, ac pro integris annexis, connexis, incorporationibus aliisque particulariter et generaliter supraexpressis, nunc eidem burgo vt predicitur vnitis et annexatis, Non obstante quod dicte terre, passagia, priuilegia, tenementa, redditus aliaque particulariter et generaliter supramentionata eidem burgo spectantia, simul et continue minime jacent, penes quam nos cum avisamento et consensu predicto dispensavimus, ac per presentis carte nostre tenorem pro nobis et successoribus dispensamus imperpetuum: Et nos considerantes prepositum, balliuos, consules et communitatem burgi nostri de Peblis vnam solam communitatem et

ever church, chaplainary, prebendary, or benefice founded and lying without our said burgh, within whatever part of this our kingdom of Scotland; and the foresaid common lands with the privilege and liberty of pulling heather, of digging and taking away peats, turfs, fewal feal and divot within the said common muirs and mosses of the said burgh, and within the bounds foresaid used and wont, into one free burgh royal, tenement and tenandry for ever: And we will and grant, and for us and our successors, decern and ordain, that one sasine now to be given, by virtue of our present infeftment in the manner and form following, to the provost or to any one of the bailies of our said burgh of Peebles for the time, at the market-cross of the said burgh, shall stand and be a sufficient sasine to them and their successors, for all and whole the said burgh, and for the haill annexes, connexes, incorporations and others particularly and generally above expressed, now united and annexed to the said burgh, as said is, notwithstanding that the said lands, passages, privileges, tenements, rents and others particularly and generally above mentioned, pertaining to the said burgh, do not lie together and contiguous, wherewith we, with advice and consent foresaid, have disponed, and by the tenor of our present charter, for us and our successors, dispense for ever: AND WE, considering the provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our burgh of Peebles, to be one whole community

vniversitatem esse, que in sua natura manet nullum particularem successorem habentem; IGITUR declarauimus, voluimus, concessimus, tenoreque presentium pro nobis et successoribus nostris, cum avisamento et consensu predicto, declaramus et ordinamus quod predicta sasina, per dictum prepositum aut quemlibet balliuum dicti burgi, nomine et ex parte omnium burgensium et communitatis huiusmodi eorumque successorum, virtute presentis nostri infeofamenti semel capta per deliberationem terre et lapidis fundi pro dicto burgo, terris, molendinis, aliisque accessariis et dependentiis eorundem, ac per deliberationem vnius denarii vsualis monete regni nostri Scocie pro censubus, custumis et deuoriis eiusdem, aliisque accessariis et dependentiis huiusmodi, perque traditionem fustis et baculi pro officiis et jurisdictionibus predictis ac aliis accessariis et dependentiis eorundem, ac per deliberationem vnius libri Psalmorum pro prefatis ecclesiis, prebendariis, redditibus, decimis, ac aliis accessariis et dependenciis earundem, stabit et sufficiens erit sasina imperpetuum absque alicuius nove sasine renovatione, reiteratione, aut imposterum recuperatione: TENENDUM ET HABENDUM totum et integrum predictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, cum omnibus et singulis predictis libertatibus, sasinis, priuilegiis et possessionibus, per prefatos prepositum, ballinos, consules et communitatem dicti nostri burgi eorumque predicessores, antea tentis et vsitatis cum prefatis infeofamentis, sasinis,

and body, which in its own nature remains, having no particular successor; therefore, we have declared, willed and granted, and by the tenor of these presents, for us and our successors, with advice and consent foresaid, declare and ordain that the foresaid sasine, once taken by the said provost or any one of the bailies of the said burgh, in name and behalf of all the burgesses and community thereof and their successors, by virtue of our present infeftment, by delivery of earth and stone of the ground for the said burgh, lands, mills, and other accessories and dependencies of the same, and by delivery of one penny, usual money of our kingdom of Scotland, for the farms, customs, and duties of the same, and other accessories and dependencies thereof, and by delivery of staff and baton for the offices and jurisdiction foresaid, and other accessories and dependences of the same, and by delivery of a Psalm Book, for the foresaid churches, prebendaries, rents, teinds and other accessories and dependences of the same, shall stand and be a sufficient sasine for ever, without any renovation, again taking or retaking of any new sasine, hereafter: TO HOLD AND TO HAVE all and whole our foresaid burgh of Peebles, with all and singular the foresaid liberties, sasines, privileges and possessions, by the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, burgesses and community of our said burgh as their ancestors formerly held and used, with the foresaid infeft-

possessionibus, et priuilegiis prefato nostro burgo quovis tempore preterito datis et concessis super antedictis infeofamentis et libertatibus, minutis custumis, eschaetis, et curiarum amerciamentis, immunitatibus, viis, passagiis, terris, integro territorio et communitate eiusdem, que per leg[es] aut regni nostri consuet[udi]nes ad lib[erum] burgum regalem pertinuerunt aut pertinere possunt, [c]um priuilegio [et] vsu mercimonii emptionis et eorundum venditionis; cumque mercatorum gilda et priuilegiis euisdem, ac cum jurisdictione, mulctis ac penis, eschaetis, et amerciamentis eidem spectantibus; vnacum dictis tribus nundinis et foris hepdomadatim, et custumis, priuilegiis et proficuis que ad eas pertinuerunt, aut per leges nostri regni pertinere possunt; Necnon cum dicto priuilegio, commissione, et authoritate dictis preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti burgi eorum[que suc]cessoribus concesso, in omnibus rebus et causis libertates atque priuilegia eisdem concessa tam per acta nostri Parliamenti quam generalis consilii burgorum constitutiones, acta, decreta, sententias in favorem eorum libertatum, vt dictum est, concessa tangentibus, sedendi, judicandi, [dec]ernendi, mulctasque, penas, et eschaetas earundem per ipsos vt premissum est levandi,

ments, sasines, possessions, and privileges given and granted to our said burgh at any time past, concerning the foresaid infeftments and liberties, petty customs, escheats, and amerciaments of courts, immunities, ways, passages, lands, whole territory and community of the same, which by the laws or customs of our kingdom pertained or can pertain to a free royal burgh, with the privilege and use of merchandise, buying and selling of the same, and with the guild of merchants and privileges thereof, and with the jurisdiction, fines, and penalties, escheats, and amerciaments belonging thereto, together with the said three fairs and weekly markets, and customs, privileges and profits, which belonged, or can by the laws of our kingdom belong thereto; as also with the said privilege, commission, and authority granted to the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of the said burgh, and their successors of making acts, statutes, and constitutions, for the good and advantage of the standing of the said burgh, of putting the same to final execution, and arresting, prosecuting, and calling the violators of the same, as also, with full jurisdiction granted to the said provost, bailies, connsellors, and community of the said burgh, and their successors, in all actions and causes, liberties and privileges, granted to them, as well by acts of our parliament as general council, constitutions of burghs, acts, decreets, sentences, granted in favour of their liberties, as said is, and of sitting, judging, and deeerning fines, penalties, and escheats of the same, and with power to them, as

vtendi et disponendi: Totas et integras dictas terras de Cadmure, Hammildoun, Wenl[aw] et Struther, dictum Castri montem de Peblis, cum molendino super latere dicti Castelli montis vocato *the R*[*uid*] *mylne* et *Wauk mylne* edificato, dictum molendinum vocatum *the Auld mylne* ex boreali latere aque de Peblis, cum omnibus, multuris et sequelis eiusdem, cumque integris domibus, [et] tenementis super dictum Castri montem edificatis, ac cum dicto molendino granario de Innerlethaine, astrictis multuris et sequelis eiusdem, ac molendino fullonum huiusmodi ac terris prope idem vocatis *lie Hilhoussis* et *Thomashauch*, predictas communes terras cum libertate mar[resiaru]m, *lie mossis*, ac in communi mora pro myricarum eradicatione et focalium, *lie fewall faill, et dovett*, in omnibus partibus huiusmodi solitis et consuetis effossione et lucratione; Cumque integris piscationibus in dictis aquis de Tweid et Peblis ad dictum burgum nostrum spectantibus, quasquidem aliasque piscationes predictas illi eorumque predicessores quovis tempore preterito possederunt; Ac etiam totas et integras predictas terras vocatas Glentars, comprehendentes particulares terras supraexpressas, cum omnibus aliis partibus, pendiculis et pertinentiis dictarum terrarum de G[len]tars, prout eedem tendunt a bondis de Hammildoun ad *lie Burnefute*, et inde ad Gaithope et deorsum Gaithopburne ad Tweid; Ac etiam totas et integras predictas terras de Kingismure prope

is, of levying, using and disponing thereupon; all and haill the said lands of Cadmure Hammildoun, Venlaw, and Struther, the said Castle-hill of Peebles, with the mill built upon the side of the said Castle-hill called the Ruid-mill and the Waulk-mill, the said mill called the Auld-mill, upon the north side of the water of Peebles, with the dams multures and sequels of the same, and with the haill houses and tenements built upon the said Castle-hill, and with the said corn-mill of Innerleithen, astricted multures and sequels of the same, and the Waulk-mill thereof, and lands adjacent thereto, called Hillhouse and Thomashaugh, the foresaid common lands with the liberty of mosses in the common muir, for pulling heather, and digging and leading fewal, fead and divot in all parts thereof, used and wont, and with the haill fishings in the said waters of Tweed and Peebles, belonging to our said burgh, and all other fishings foresaid they and their predecessors possessed at any time by past; as also all and whole the foresaid lands called Glentars, comprehending the particular lands above expressed with all other parts, pendicles and pertinents of the said lands of Glentars, as the same extend from the bounds of Hammildoun to the Burnfoot, and from thence to Gaithope, and down Gaithope-burn to the Tweed; as also, all and whole the foresaid

dictum burgum nostrum de Peblis, quequidem ad dictum Cuthbertum Elphingstoun de Henderstoun pertinuerunt; Necnon omnes et singulas predictas terras, tenementa, domus, edificia, hortos, toftas, croftas, annuos redditus, fructus, devoria, proficua, emolumenta, decimas, decimasque garbales, obitas pecunias, eleemosinas, anniversaria, aliaque quecunque que ad dicta prebendaria suprascripta, aut ad quascunque ecclesias, prebendaria, capellanias, altaragia, aliaque beneficia infra libertatem dicti nostri burgi jacentes pertinuerunt, aut de dictis terris et tenementis infra eundem burgum jacentibus ad quascunque ecclesias, capellanias, altaragia, seu alia beneficia, extra dictum burgum nostrum, infra aliquam partem huius regni jacentes, debita: PREFATIS preposito, balliuis, consulibus et communitati dicti nostri burgi de Peblis eorumque successoribus, DE NOBIS et successoribus nostris, in feodo, hereditate et libero burgagio imperpetuum, per omnes rectas metas suas antiquas et diuisas, prout jacent in longitudine et latitudine, in domibus, edificiis, boscis, planis, moris, marresiis, viis, semitis, aquis, staguis, rivolis, pratis, pascuis, et pasturis, molendinis, multuris et eorum sequelis, aucupationibus, venationibus, piscationibus, petariis, turbariis, carbonibus, carbonariis, cuniculis, cuniculariis, columbis, columbariis, fabrilibus, brasinis, brueriis et genestis, silvis, nemoribus et virgultis, lignis, tignis, lapicidiis lapide et calce, cum curiis et earum exitibus, herezeldis, bludewetis et

lands of King's Muir near our said burgh of Peebles, which pertained to the said Cuthbert Elphinstone of Henderstoune; as also all and singular the foresaid lands, tenements, houses, biggings, yards, tofts, crofts, annual rents, fruits, duties, profits, emoluments, teinds, teind sheaves, obit-money, alms, anniversaries, and others whatever, which belonged to the said prebendaries above written, or to whatever churches, prebendaries, chaplainries, altarages, and other benefices lying within the liberty of our said burgh, due from the said lands and tenements lying within the said burgh, belonging to whatever churches, chaplainaries, altarages, or other benefices, lying without our said burgh, within any part of this our kingdom, to the foresaid provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, of us and our successors in fee heritage and free burgage for ever, by all the righteous meiths of the same, old and divided, as they lie in length and breadth, in houses, biggings, woods, plains, moors, marshes, ways, paths, waters, lakes, rivulets, meadows, pastures and pasturages, mills, multures and their sequels, hawkings, huntings, fishings, peats, turfs, coals, coal-heughs, cunnings, cunningaries, doves, dove-cots, smithies, kilns, breweries, woods, forests, groves and twigs, woods, stakes, stone and lime quarries, with courts and

mulierum marchetis, cum communi pastura liberoque introitu et exitu, ac cum furca, fossa, sok, sak, thole, thame, vert, veth, wrak, wair, vennysoun, infangtheif, outfangtheif, pit et gallous, Ac cum omnibus aliis et singulis libertatibus, commoditatibus, proficuis, asiamentis ac iustis suis pertinentiis quibuscunque, tam non nominatis quam nominatis, tam subtus terra quam supra terram, procul et prope, ad predictum burgum cum pertinentiis spectantibus, seu juste spectare valentibus quomodolibet in futurum, libere, quiete, plenarie, integre, honorifice, bene et in pace et absque vlla revocatione, contradictione, impedimento aut obstaculo quocunque: Reddendo annuatim dicti prepositus, balliui, consules et communitas dicti nostri burgi de Peblis et eorum successores, nobis et successoribus nostris in nostro scaccario, pro dicto burgo de Peblis, terris, molendinis, multuris, hortis, piscationibus, moris, cum omnibus et singulis priuilegiis, libertatibus, immunitatibus, feudifirmis, integro territorio et communitate eiusdem, foris hebdomadatim ac nundinis, officiis, custumis, impositionibus, aliisque devoriis vnitis et annexatis ad dictum burgum regalem, annexis, connexis, partibus, pendiculis ac aliis particulariter et generaliter supraexpressis eum earundem pertinentiis, summam duodecim mercarum vsualis monete huius regni nostri Scocie nomine annui redditus, ac summam viginti sex solidorum octo denariorum

their issue, herezelds, bloodwits and marchets of women, with common pasturage, and free ish and entry and with pit and gallows, sok, sak, thole, theme, vert, veth, wrack, wair, venison, infangthief, outfangthief, pit and gallows, and with all other and sundry liberties, commodities, profits, easements, and their just pertinents whatsoever, as well not named as named, as well under ground as above ground, far and near, belonging to the said burgh with the pertinents, or which shall justly belong to the same in any time to come, freely, quietly, fully, wholly, honourably, well and in peace, and without any revocation, contradiction, impediment or obstacle whatsoever. Giving therefor yearly the said provost, bailies, councillors, and community of our said burgh of Peebles, and their successors, to us and our successors, in our exchequer, for the said burgh of Peebles, lands, mills, multures, yards, fishings, muirs, with all and singular privileges, liberties, immunities, feu-duties, whole territory and community of the same, weekly markets and fairs, offices, customs, fines, and other duties, united and annexed to the said royal burgh, annexes, connexes, parts, pendicles, and others particularly and generally above expressed, with the pertinents of the same, the sum of twelve merks, usual money of this our kingdom of Scotland, in name of annual rent, and the sum of twenty-six shillings and eight pennies money foresaid, to the master

monete predicte magistro hospitalis Sancti Leonardi prope dictum nostrum burgum de Peblis nomine elemosine, vnacum seruicio burgi vsitato et consueto solummodo; Et pro dictis prebendariis, capellaniis, ecclesiis, altaragiis decimis, fructibus, redditibus, aliisque earundem pertinentiis, prefati prepositus, balliui, consules, communitas dicti nostri burgi eorumque successores humiles et quotidianas supplicationes et preces Deo Omnipotenti pro nostra et successorum nostrorum salute et preservatione facientes tantum: In CUIUS REI testimonium huic presenti carte nostre magnum sigillum nostrum apponi precepimus: TESTIBUS predilectis nostris consanguineis et consiliariis Jacobo marchione de Hammiltoun comite Aranie et Cambridge domino Aven et Innerdaill, Georgio Mariscalli comite domino Keith etc. regni nostri mariscallo, Alexandro comite de Dumfermling domino Fyvie etc. nostro cancellario, Thoma comite de Melros domino Bynning etc. nostro secretario, dilectis nostris familiaribus consiliariis dominis Ricardo Cokburne juniore de Clerkingtoun nostri secreti sigilli custode, Georgio Hay de Kinfawnis nostrorum rotulorum registri ac consilii clerico, Joanne Cokburne de Ormistoun nostre justiciarie clerico, et Joanne Scott de Scottistarvet nostre cancellarie directore, militibus. APUD NEWMERCAT decimo nono die mensis Novembris anno Domini millesimo sexcentesimo vigesimo primo regnorumque nostrorum annis quinquagesimo quinto et decimo nono.

[*Dorso*] Sealled at Edinburgh, 11 Januarij 1622.

of the Hospital of St Leonard, near our said burgh of Peebles, in name of alms, together with the service of burgh used and wont, allenarly: and for the said prebendaries, chaplainaries, churches, altarages, teinds, fruits, rents, and other their pertinents, the said provost, bailies, councillors and community of our said burgh and their successors making humble and daily supplications and prayers to God Almighty for the safety and preservation of us and our successors allenarly. IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have commanded our great seal to be appended to this our present charter: WITNESSES, our well-beloved cousins and counsellors, James, marquis of Hamilton, earl of Arran and Cambridge, lord Aven and Innerdale; George, earl Marshall, lord Keith &c., marshall of our kingdom; Alexander earl of Dunfermline Lord Fyvie &c., our chancellor; Thomas, earl of Melros, lord Binning &c. our secretary; our well beloved familiar councillors, Sirs Richard Cockburn younger of Clerkington, keeper of our privy seal; George Hay of Kinfaunes, clerk of our rolls register and council; John Cockburn of Ormistone, our justice clerk; and John Scott of Scotstarvet director of our chancery, knights. At Newmarket, the nineteenth day of the month of November in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and twenty-one and in the fifty-fifth and nineteenth years of our reigns.

XLI.

Act of Parliament in favour of the Provost, Bailies, Council, Burgesses, and Community of the Burgh of Peebles, ratifying and approving the preceding Charter of Confirmation and Novodamus granted by King James the Sixth.

17*th November* 1641.

Ratificatioune in favoures of the burgh of Peiblis of thair richtis.

Our soverane LORD and Estaites of this present parliament ratefeis and approueis to and in favoures of the proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis and commownitie of the brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures, proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis and commownitie thairof ane chartour of confirmatioun conteining thairin ane clause *de novo damus* maid and grantit to the said brugh be vmquhill King James the sext of worthie memorie his majesties father, quhairby his majestie confermit to the said brugh of Peibilles the particullar chartoures and infeftmentis following, viz.:—ane chartour grantit be vmquhile King James the secound to the said brugh of Peibilles, burgessis and commownitie thairof off all and sundrie infeftmentis liberties seasinges and possessiounes maid and grantit to the saides burgessis and the said brugh, be the said vmquhile King James the secund and his predicessores off the infeftmentis and liberties of the said brugh, courtes, creatioun of burgessis and of the repladgiation of thair comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said brugh, fermes, small customes, escheites, and amerciamentis of courtes, electioun, creatioun, and approbatioun of officiares, punischment of transgressoures, mylnes, multuris, and sequeles, halking and hunting, in swa far as pertenit to the said vmquhile King James the secund and his predicessores befor the infeftment of the said brugh with commonties, pasturage, frie iche and entrie to the mwre of Caidmwre, Hamilldowne and Venlaw with the pertinentis and commoun pasturage, with frie iche and entrie to the landes of Glentrase, fra the sune rysing to the downe passing of the samen, quhilk wer anexit to the said brugh of Peibilles; item, ane vther chartour maid gevin and grantit be vmquhile King James the ffourt to the said brugh of Peibilles comburgessis

and commownitie thairof and thair successores off all and sundrie liberties seasinges and possessiounes had and vsit be thame and thair predicessores of befor, as also off all and sundrie infeftmentis, seasinges, possessiounes and priviledges off the foirsaides infeftmentis and liberties givin and grantit to the said brugh at any tyme of befor; with power to the saides comburgessis and commownitie to hald and keip courtes, with creatioun of burgessis, and of the repladgiatioun of the comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said brugh, togidder with the burrowmaill, small customes, amerciamentis of courtes, escheites, ellectioun of officiares and punischment of transgressoures within the said brugh as the Kinges royall brughis hes, togidder with mylnes and specialle with the mylne biggit vpone the syd of the Castellhill of Peibilles, mylne dames, multuris, sequeles, and with houssis and bigginges buildit vpone the syd of the said Castellhill, with watteris, fischinges, huntinges and halkinges in swa far as perteinit to the said vmquhill King James the ffourt and his predicessores, befor the infeftment of the said brugh, with hilles, landes, and valeyes, and vse of the samen vpone thair awin comoun landes of Caidmwre, Hamilldowne, Venlaw and Comoun Struther, and to vse and enjoy the samen be pasturing, teilling and sawing as sall seim maist fitt and expedient to thameselffis and as they and thair predicessoures hes vsit and enjoyit the samen of befor, and with commoun pasturage frie iche and entrie to the commoun of Glentrass fra the rysing of the sune to the setting thairof, and in vseing the gaittes, merches and commonties as [they] have been in vse, but qwhatsumewer impediment of any persoune or persounes, ffor careing and leiding of thair fewall and all vther necessaries to the said brugh and commowntie thairof, but impediment of quwhatsumewer persoune or persounes duelling within or without the said brugh as said is, with commoun pasturage vpone the mwire of Kingismwre in the passage of Caidmwre, and als frielie as the said brugh hes bruikit and possest any of the foirsaides priviledgis at any tyme bygaine, as in the said chartour grantit be King James the ffourt at mair lenth is conteinit; item, ane vther chartour grantit be vmquhill King David of worthie memorie off the chaplandrie of St Marie foundit within the said brugh of Peibilles off the mylne of Innerleithane with the haill multuris quhilk of old perteinit to the mylne of Traquair vpone the north syd of the wattir of Tweid fra the village of Horsbrugh to Gathope burne as in the said chartour of the dait the twentie day of September and threttie aucht yeir of the said King Dauides raigne also at mair lenth is conteinit; togidder with all and sundrie chartoures,

infeftmentis, giftis, donatiounes, priviledgis, immunities, actes of parliament, decreites and sentences maid and grantit be the said vmquhill King James the sext, or his most noble progenitores or be quhatsumever vther persoune or persounes to and in favoures of the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles for the tyme and thair predicessores and successoures quhatsumewer anent the erectioun of the said brugh in ane frie brugh royall, and of all richtis titilles and priviledgis be the law and custome of this kingdome perteining to the samen and all and sundrie landes, hilles, valeyes, gaittes, rodis, mwres, maresis, rentis, customes, amerciamentis and escheites of court, houssis, bigginges, tenementis, yairdes, donatiounes, possessiounes, mylnes, mylne-landes, multuris, dames and braes, rentis annualrentis and all pertinentis of the samen, and of all faires and mercatis with immunities, priviledgis and customes of the samen vsit and wont, and of all vtheris liberties, landes, rentis and jurisdictioun quhilk the saides proveist bailyies counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles be thameselffis or thair predicessores hes bruikit possest and vsit at any tyme bygaine or quhilkis they for the present bruik vse or posses, and als all and sundrie mortificatiounes, richtis of patronages, infeftmentis, donatiounes and dispositounes gevin and grantit be the said vmquhill King James the saxt or his predicessores or quhatsumewer vther persoune or persounes to the foirsaides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commounitie of the said brugh and thair predicessoures off quhatsumewer landes, tenementis, houssis, bigginges, heigh and croce kirkes of the said brugh, kirkyairdes, prebandries, chapelles, chaplandries, few ferme, obites, and anniversaries quhairever they ly within or without the said brugh, particullarlie and generallie conteinit in the saides giftis, donatiounes, mortificatiounes, dispositiounes or anie of thame efter the formes and tennores of the samen, with all actes, sentences, decreites, maid and grantit of thame or anie of thame, as in the foirsaid chartour of confirmatioun grantit vnder his majesties great seall conteinand the foirsaid clausis *de novo damus*, beiring that his majestie of new for himselff and his successoures gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall, and commounitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successores for ewer all and haill the foirsaid brugh of Peibilles, with all and sundrie liberties, seasinges, priviledgis and possessiounes vsit and had be thame and thair predicessores, with all and sundrie infeftmentis, seasinges, possessiounes and priviledgis givin and grantit to the foirsaid brugh vpone the saides infeftmentis and

liberties at ony tyme bygaine, with power to the saides comburgessis and commownitie to hald and keip courtes, with creatioun of comburgessis and repledgiatioun of thair comburgessis and inhabitantes of the said brugh, with the burrowmaill and small customes of the samen, escheites and amerciamentis of the saides courtis, creatioun of officiares and punisching of transgressoures within the said brugh as the rest of His Majesties royall brughis within the said kingdome of Scotland hes; with power also to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsalloures and commownitie of the said brugh and thair successores to haunt vse and exerce merchandice, traid and traffick of merchandice, to buy, transact, sell and sell over againe all sort of merchandice, alseweill strainge merchandice as of these within the cuntrie, not onlie within the libertie and territorie and jurisdictioun of the said brugh bot also within all vther pairtes within the haill boundes of the Shereffdome of Peibilles alseweill regalitie as royaltie; with power also to the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures, factores and servitores in thair names to intromett with lift and reseave all small customes and vther dewties within the foirsaid boundes and within the samen brugh and territorie thairof; and to bruik joyse and posses for ewer the gild of merchandice, with gildes courtes, counsall, memberis and jurisdictioun perteining to the samen, liberties and priviledgis thairof, siclyk and als frielie as be His Majestie or his predicessores are grantit to any of his frie brughis royall within the kingdome of Scotland; and als to hald, bruik, joyse and exerce weiklie within the said brugh mercat dayes according to the vse and custome of the said brugh; togidder also with thrie frie faires thryse in the yeir, the first of the samen to begin yeirlie vpone the third day of Maij callit Belltane day and to hald and continew the same for the space of fourtie aucht houres thairefter, and the secund of the saides faires to begin vpone the twentie nynt day of Junij callit St Peiteris day and to continew for the space of ffourtie aucht houres thairefter, and the thrid of the saides faires to begin vpone the twentie fourt day of August callit St Bartholomowes day and to hald and continew be the space of aucht dayes thairefter, according to the vse custome and wont; togidder with the sheref fie, shereffis glowes, tolles, customes, impositiounes, exactiounes, and all vther fies, dewties, pledgis and liberties, quhilkis are knawin to pertein to the saides faires and mercatis during the tyme of the samen, siclyk and als frielie in all respectis as any vther frie brugh within this kingdome bruikes and possessis thair faires

and mercatis, or quhilk they or thair predicessores brookit or possest the samen of befor, commanding and chairgeing that na persoune nor persounes ather of regalitie or royaltie wha are not burgessis of the said brugh preswme to vsurpe exerce and occupie within the Shereffdome of the said brugh of Peibilles or boundes of the samen Shereffdome, mercatis, or vse of merchandice alseweill forrane as homeward perteining to ane frie brugh or ony pairt or priveledge tuitching ane frie brugh, vnder the paine of imprisounment of thair persounes and confiscatioune of thair merchandice; farder His Majestie gave and grantit full power of commissioun and auctoritie to the saides proveist, bailyies and counselloures of the said brugh and thair successoures to mak and publisch actes, statutis and ordinances for the comoun good and proffeit of the said brugh, and for manteinance of the liberties and priviledges of the samen to be observit be all the inhabitantes and burgessis of the samen and all vther persoumes thair abyding and hawnting, vnder sick paines as sall seim expedient to thame, with speciall power to thame to putt to finall executioun within the said brugh the saides actes and ordinances, with all actes of parliament of generall or secreit counsalles, constitutiounes of burrowes, and all vther decreites, sentences gevin and pronuncit, in favoures of the saides liberties, and for the better executioun of the samen to sitt, judge and decerne in the samen, with speciall power to thame to call, persew, arreist and incarcerat all persounes violateris of thair saides priviledgis, actes, constitutiounes, decreites and sentences foirsaides, and to vnlaw and amerciat thame as sall seime expedient to thame, quhilkis paines and vnlawes His Majestie gave and disponit to the commoun vse of the said brugh and to the supplie of the commoun necessaries of the samen; and farder be the said chartour of new gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and comownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and haill the landes of Caidmwre, Hamilldowne, Venlaw and Struther, Castellhill of Peibilles, with the cornemylne callit the Rudemylne and Wakmylne buildit vpone the syd of the said Castellhill, and with the cornemylne callit the Old Mylne vpone the Wattir of Peibilles, vpone the north syd of the samen, with mylne landes, mylne dames, multeris, sequeles and all their pertinentis, with the haill housis and tenementis biggit vpone the said Castellhill and pertinentis of the samen, the said cornemylne of Innerleithane with the haill multeris quhilk of old perteinit to the said mylne off Traquair vpone the north syd of the said Wattir of Tweid fra the

village of Horsbrugh to Gathopeburne, with mylne landes, mylne dames, astrictit multeris, sequeles, and pertinentis of the samen, and the landes neir the said mylne callit Hill Houssis with the landes callit Thomas Hauch and pertinentis of the samen, togidder with the wakmylne of Innerleithane and pertinentis thairof, togidder with the haill watteris and fischeinges alseweill of salmound as of vther fisches vpone the watteris of Tweid and Peibilles, and vtheris fischeings perteining to the said brugh and quhilk they and thair predicessores hes possest at any tyme bygaine togidder with the customes at the brig of Tweid vsit and wont; and als gave grantit and disponit to the said brugh in commontie allanerlie according to the infeftmentis abonespeciit all and haill the landes of Glentrase comprehending the particular landes vndirwrittin, viz., Carlado, Dowbank, Browne Mwre, Colliclaw, Gramsykis, Pillmwre, Cruikeshope, Cruikeslaw, Wheitfeild, Rigamountes, Downe Rig, Annettes Hope, Dunclench, Birniebank, Hilleincleuch, Kingeskippes, Carleincraig, Lainghopeheid, Somercleuch, Craigendes, Glenferriate, Somersyde, Commoun Hill, Whytsyk, Glenrude, Hairfauld Rige, Cattillgerrate, Lambelaw, Brownehilles, Card, Tua fauld rig, Eister Cattillgerrate, Wester Gramesykis, and Gairesman, togidder with all vther pairtis pendicles and pertinentis of the landes of Glentras as the samen goes fra the boundes of Hamildowne to the Burnefute and fra that to Gethope and down Gethope burne to Tweid; and siclyk His Majestie be the said chartour gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist bailyies and counsall of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and sundrie the saides landes callit the Kingis Mwire lyand neir the said brugh of Peibilles quhilk perteinet to vmquhill Cuthbert Elphingstowne of Henderstowne and Johne Elphingstoune his sone, and farder His Majestie be the said chartour gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies counsallores and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures the privicledge and libertie to protect and conserve the haill wayes calsayes and passages, goeing to and fra the said brugh to whatsumewer vther pairtes within this kingdome of Scotlande and to keip the saides wayes and passages in thair bread and integritie that the samen be not distroyit or diminischit be anie persoune or persounes that thairby His Majestie may have easier passage thairto; and als be the samen chartour, His Majestie gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures all and haill the commoun landes of the said brugh, with power

and libertie to pow heather, and to cast and wind peites, turris, fewall, faill, and devotte in the commoun mwire and mossis of the said brugh within all the ffour halffis compassing the said brugh far and neir, and quhilkis the saides proveist, bailyies, counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh and thair predicessores now possessis or possest at any tyme bygaine; and farder His Majestie considering that thair were diverse prebandries chapelandries and alterages, hospitalles and vtheris of the same nature foundit within the said brugh of Peibilles, and haveing in his mynd to dispone the samen to the said brugh to this effect that the proffeites thairof may be imployit to the commoun workes of the said brugh, thairfor His Majestie gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsalloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles, all and sundrie landes, mylnes, multuris, annualrentis, tenementis, fewfermes, mailles, caynes, customes, teindes, teindschaves, caswalities, proffeites and dewties quhatsumewer off all and sindrie the prebandries vnderwrittin, foundit within the said brugh and perteining and belonging to the samen, viz.; the prebandrie of St Marie, the prebandrie of Holie Croce, the prebandrie of St Michaell the arkangell, the prebandrie callit Sanct Marie Major, the prebandrie callit St Johne the Baptist, the prebandrie callit St Marie Daillgeddes thair, the prebandrie callit St Androw, the prebandrie callit St James, the prebandrie callit St Lawrence, and prebandrie callit St Christopher, with the chaplainrie callit St Marie, and als gave grantit and disponit to the saides proveist bailyies counselloures and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successores all and sundrie vtheris landes tenementis, houssis, biggingcs, kirkis, with the Hie and Croce Kirkes of the said brugh, and kirkyairdes of the samen, chappelles, yairdes, orchyairdes, croftis, annualrentis, teindes, fruites, rentis, dewties, emolumentis, almous silver, obite silvir and anniversaries quhilkis perteinit to quhatsumewer chaplandries, alterages or prebandries, foundit be quhatsumewer patrone, in quhatsumewer kirk, chappell, colledge or hospitall within the libertie of the foirsaid brugh, quhilkis the saides chaplandes or prebanderis possest, quhairever they ly within the libertie of the said brugh, or awand be the saides landes and tenementis lyand within the samen, perteining to quhatsumewer kirk chaplandrie prebandrie or benefice lyand and foundit without the said brugh within any vther pairt of the said kingdome of Scotlande, and diverse vtheris clausis thairintill, and specialie of ane clause of vnioun and incorporatioune of the haill landes and vtheris abonewrittin with the said brugh in ane frie brugh

royall, tenement and tennandrie for ewer, declaring that seasing taine at the mercat croce of Peibilles sal be sufficient for the haill: of the date the nynteine day of November J^m^ vj^c^ twentie ane yeires, at mair lenth is contenit; togidder with the precept and instrument of seasing following thairvpone in all and sundrie the heides, poyntis, clausis, articles, circumstances and conditiounes thairin conteinit and efter the forme and tennor thairof in all poyntis. And our said Soverane Lord and Estaittes of Parliament willes and grantis and for his hienes and his successores decernis and ordaines that this present ratificatioun is and salbe as valid and sufficient and of als great strenth and effect to the saides proveist, bailyies, counsall, burgessis inhabitantes and commownitie of the said brugh of Peibilles and thair successoures for bruiking of the said brugh, haill customes, liberties, and privieledgis thairof, the landes, tenementis, mylnes, multuris, mwres, mossis, pulling of heather, casting and winning of peittes, turris, fewall, faill and devotte in the ffour quarteris about the said brugh, fischeingis, annualrentis, fruites, rentis, emolumentis and dewties quhatsumewer and of the saides chaplandries, kirkes, and kirkyairdes, and the saides liberties, and of pasturage and of gaittes for careing of the said fewall to the said brugh, faires and mercatis and vtheris quhatsumewer speciallie and generallie abonewritten conteinit in the said chartour of confirmatioun abone mentionat, and precept and instrument of seasing following thairvpone, as giff the samen haill chartour precept and instrument of seasing wer at lenth speciallie ingrosit and insert *de verbo in verbum* in this present Ratificatioun notwithstanding that the samen be not swa done; quhairanent and with all vther defectis imperfectiounes and objectiounes quhatsumewer quhilkis may be proponit or alledged againes the said chartour precept and instrument of seasing and valeiditie of the samen or this present Ratificatioune thairof our said Soverane Lord and Estaites of Parliament hes dispensit and be thir presentis dispensis for ewer; and that the said Ratificatioune be farder extendit in forme abonewrittin.

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4 *October* 1456.

THE hed curt of the burgh of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday the ferd day of the monath October the yeir of God m cccc l and vj, the suttis callit, the curt effirmyt, ilk absent in amerssiment. Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day was mayd balyeis John Madour and John Dekysoun and Wyl Mouat. Bailies.

Item, that ilk day, fles pryssaris John Blaklok, Paton Temppil, Thom Robenson, Rob Jamson. Flesh pricers.

Item, that ilk day was mayd al tasterys Rob Mvrray, John Ancornes, Rob Forfar, Thom Naper. Ale tasters.

Item, that ilk day our Lady balyeis has racunnis with erd and stan a land liand of this sid the Hau throu faut of our Lady anual that is ij s. be yeir. Thir witnes: John Forfar, Thom Fosstar. And this the thrid curt. And than the seriand cryit thrys at the Tolbuth dor geyf thar was ony lachful ar to that land wald com within xl dayis and do for it and brwk. Our Lady annual.

Our Lady chapel. Item, that ilk day, John Clark and Thom Dauyson, Lady balyeis, has racwnnest with erd and stan a land was swmtym Paton Redfwrddis liand on the North Raw auentis the chappal, for faut of our Lady anwal of the chappel that is ij s. be yeir, thir beand witnes: John Forfar, Thom Fosstayr; and this the thryd curt. And than the balye chardit the seriand to cry at the cors geyf ony man wald com within xl dais that had rych to that land and do for it that it auch and brwk wel his land.

18 *October* 1456.

Burgess. It is to remember, the Mononday the xviij day of the monath October the yer of God m cccc l and vj yer, that John Tyry was mayd burges on Sant Lukis day, and sal pay for his fredom xx^{ti} s.; and x s. of that to pay bethys this and Qwysonday nixt to com and x s. be Machalmes next folouand; plegis hymself.

2 *November* 1456.

Burgh court. The curt of the burgh of Peblys halding the Tisday the secwnday of the monath Nowember the yer of God m cccc l and vj, the suttis callit, the curt effermyt, ilk absent in amerssiment.

Burgesses. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Will of the Ost, and pay for his fredom xl s. at the balyeys wil; plegis Thom Dekysoun, and of that xx s. ownforgeyfyng.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Lori Lauson and sal pay for his fredom has a burgis ar.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Wssar and sal pay for his fredom has a burgis ar.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Dic Patonson and sal pay for his fredom half a mark; plegis Thom Dekyson. And that ilk day the qwest Service of heir. fand the said Dic lachful ar til his fader land and the balyeis incontinent pasit our the watter and gaf him sessyng.

9 *November* 1456.

Service of heirs. Sasine. It is to ramember, the Tysday the ix day of the monath Nowember the yeir of God m cccc l and vj yer, that Masster Wilyam of Lauadyr com

befor the balyeis in the Tolboth and askyt a qwest to be serwit qwath anwallis the lard of Cauerhil had within yowr burgh of Peblis has he that was lachful atornay for the thre women that is hys arris; and than the balyeis chessit the qwest, and than the qwest ryply awisit serwit al that he askyt; and than the balyeys and the qwest yhed fwrth and gayf hym sessyng has he that was lachful atornay for the arris:—In the fryst, of thre rud land that John Gybson haldys, than Wil Mouat beand balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of half a stan wax of that land; alssua the sayd balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of a sartan of land that Sym Loch hald for half a stan of wax; and than the sayd balye gayf grwnd sessyng with a penne of four sellyn anwal of Mechal Forest land liand on the South Rau nex awest half Sym Loch land; and than the balye gayf grund sessyng with a penne of xx^{ti} penneys of annual [of] Dic Smyth land; and than the sayd balye gayf grund sessyng with a penne of four sellyn of anwal of his awyn land; alsswa the said balye gayf sessyng with a penne of a pond of connryng of Wil Bully land awest half the Cors and on the North Rau som tym was callet the Lwkyn Bothys. Thir beand witnes, the hal qwest with mony other, Rob Lillay, Wil Peblys, Thom Dikyson, Thom Loch, Wil Balcaske, Thom Jamson, Thom Dawson. Service o heirs. Sasine.

15 *November* 1456.

The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Fyldar, and sal pay for his fredome x s. at thwa termis, that is to say Beltain the ta half and Bartylmes the tothir half; plegis Gorg Wilyamson for scottyng lottyng wakyng and wardyn, and for his borrou mall paing the said Gorg drauys his land in plegis qwil he get an. Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Rob Bruys be the sem condyssion; Sym Conno plegis for scottyng and lottyng wakyn and wardyn and his borou mal drauis his land in borch qwyl he hayf an of hys awn.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Eby Scot and sal pay for hir fredome x s. at the samyng dayis and hir land scho drauis plegis.

Item, that ilk day the sayd Eby Scot mayd in plan curt ar tyl maister Alisandrir Crassant wecar Ennarlethan. Witnes the hal curt. Service of heir.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Lyllay yongar and Rob Cady hys mayth; and of the burges sylueris at the balyeis wil ilk an of tham x s.; plegis John Lillay and Thom Dekyson; and the sayd Rob Cady drauys hys land borch for tham bath scottyng lottyng waking and wardyng and for the borou mallis payin.

26 *November* 1456.

Resignation and Sasine.

It is to ramember, the Fryday the xx^{ti} day and vj of the monath Nowember the yer of God m cccc l and vj yer, that Wil Mouat balye in that tym has geyfyng sessyng with erd and stan to Dic Gybsoun of hys land liand in the Cors Gat and on the North Rau bethwen the land of Jame Thomsoun on the est part on the ta part and the land of Wil of the Ost on the west part on the tothir part; and than incontenent the sayd Dic Gybsoun and Jonet hys wyf an has bath and bath has an has ressyngit with erd and stan the for both in the sayd balye hand, and that for both sall hald als wyd don on of that land has is the gayl of Jame Thomson land liand next auest half it; and than incontinent the sayd balye gayf sessyng with erd and stan to Paton Temppyl and tyl hys arris of that forsayd both with all condissioun mayd bethwen the sayd Paton and Dyc Gybson, safand ilk manis rycht. Thir beand witnes: Wil Mouat balye in that tym, Sir Thomas Hardkeys notar, John Lillay, Wyl Peblys, John Clark, Gorg Wilyamson, Sym Conno, Rob Percle, John Naper seriand in that tym, John Donald bourou clark in that tym, with mony outhir.

29 *November* 1456.

Burgh court.

The curt of the burgh of Peblys haldyng the Mononday, ...

Rob Percle and Wil Geddes.

Item, that ilk day aperit in curt Rob Percle to folou a borch that he fand on Wil Geddes, the sayd Wil arestit com borch for hym self, than the said Wil callit thrys and perit noch, than John Naper seriand provit his tachment, than Rob of Percle askyt hou thai suld depart has that day; the parti ramofit, the curt awisit. John Wilson dempstar wardit Wil Geddes in a defaut for faut of perans of hym self to the chalang of Rob Percle; than the balye chardit John Naper seriand tak witnes with hym and ga to Wil Geddes and tak a dysstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym til enter til the next curt has the secwnt curt to the chalang of Rob Percle; and this the fryst curt.

8 *December* 1456.

It is to remember, the Wednys the viij day of the monath Dissember the yer of God m cccc l and vj, Andro Melnar has tan the meln of Peblis has he had it befor fra this day qwyl Qwyssonday com a twelmonath; and the sayd balyeis and al the commounis has strekyn hym don v nobelis becaus he layd don viij pond be for hand in thar mestour; and gyf it falyeis of the sayd Andro that he de in the mene tym, has God forbid he do, hys arris sal jos tyl the sem termmis. Witnes the hayl comownyte. Peebles mill.

13 *December* 1456.

The curt of the burgh Peblys haldyng the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the balye John Dekyson enteris Sym Bron to be his man in plan curt to be lel and treu to the fredom qwyl he and his master can acord. Sym Bron. Freedom.

That ilk day comperit [in] curt Adam Cruksank to folou a borch that he fand on John Hau for the qwylk John Hau com borch for hym self tyl entter to the next curt, the sayd John callit thrys and noch entterit, thau the seriand John Naper provit his thachment, than Thom Dekyson spekar for Adam Cruksank askyt hou thai suld depart has that day; the parti ramofit, the curt awysit, Pat Kellou dempstar wardit John Hau in amersament; than the balye Wil Mouat chardit John Naper seriand tak witnes with hym and ga to John Hau and a dysstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym tyl enter to the next curt has the secwnd; and this the fryst curt. Adam Cruksank and John Hau.

Item, that ilk day comperit in curt Dic Wilson to folou a borch that he fand of Jok Acchen for the qwylk the sayd John com borch for hym self til enter at the next curt, the sayd John callit thrys, than the seriand John Naper provit hys thachment, than Dic Wilson askyt hou thai suld depart has that day; the parti ramofit, the [curt] awysit, Pat Kello dempstar wardit Jok Acchen in a defaut for faut of perrans of hym self to the challang of Dic Wilson; than the balye Wil Mouat chardit John Naper seriand to ga to Jok Acchen and tak a disstres and latit hym to borch and warn hym tyl enter hym at the next curt has the secwynd curt; and this the fryst curt. Dik Wilson and Jok Acchen.

Item, that ilk day frer John Jamson com to the curt with a leter a raqwest fra the menyster of Fayl to the balyeis and the comonyte that thai wald Friar John Jamson.

Friar John Jamson.

for fawir of hym ressayf the sayd frer John of his gud berryng to the plas and to geyf hym a sufiand lewyn and the layf be sponyt on the plas qwar mast ned is, and than the balyeis and the commonis wel awysit gert the sayd frer John Jamson swer be his presthed that he swld noch geyf na bud to na man of the Cors Kyrk gud, bot tyl hym self takand that may be hys leyfyn essely and the laf to be dissponyt qwar mast ned ys qweder on the kyrk or on the rellyk, and this is the sayd frer John oblyst to do in plan curt at the consal of the ton.

St Mechallis land.

Item, that ilk day Sir Ion Loch com in curt and planyheit to the balyeis that he cwt noch get hys Martemes mayl of Sant Mechallis land, than the balye Wil Mouat chardit Dic Cant and Thom Jamson has thai that was mayd balye of that land to bryng in the Martymes mayl; and fra thin furth the said chaplan Sir Ion Loch sal be balye tyl hym self to gaddir the mallis of that land and the said Sir Ion sal hald vp that land with awys of the consal of the ton at [thair] cedens has he may do by hys awn leyfyng. Witnes the hayl curt.

17 *January* 1456.

Burgh court.

The hed curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ...

Seriands.

Item, that ilk day was mayd seriandis John the Wach and John Henrison.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was maid burgis Thom Harloubank and sal pay for his fredom xx^{ti} s. and tha xx s. Mechal Forest has tan to for hym and John Dekyson, Brochton, and Tom Dekyson is borch for scottyng lottyn wakyn wardyng and borou mallis payn, and Thom Dekyson drauys his land liand in the North Gat that was Sten Wssar land for the sayd Thom.

Sasine. North Rau.

Item, that ilk day the balyhe Wil Mouat gayf sessyng with erd and stan to Willi Bothwyl of a land was his faderis liand in the burgh Peblis and on the North Rau bethwen the land of Sant Mechal on the west part on the ta part and the land John Blek on the est part on the tother part; and than incontenent the sayd Willi Bothwil ressyngit with erd and stan that said land fra hym and hys arris in the said balyhe hand with al profyt that to that land pertenmis, and than the sayd balyhe gayf grund sessyng with erd and stan and jwnt fefment to Thome Dekyson and to Jonet hys wyf and to the arris comand of tham and to the langar lewir of tham thwa, falland of

tham and thar arris comand agan to the sayd Willi of Bothwel and hys arris. Witnes the hayl curt. Sasine. North Rau.

18 *January* 1456.

It is to remember, the Tysday the xviij day of the monath Januar the yer of God m cccc l and vj, that Mechal Forest has ressyngit with erd and stan a sartan of his land liand on the South Rau anenttis the cors, that is to say vp fra the hos that Roben Johnson begit to the He Gat, fra hym and hys arris, liand bethwen the land John Hau on the west part on the ta part and the land of Gyb Darlyn on the est part on the tother part, in Wyl Mouat hand than beand balyhe, and than the sayd balyhe gayf grund sessyng with erd and stan of that sartan land and junt fefment with half the yard fra the kel don to Sym Conno and Besse hys wif and to the langar leuar of tham thwa and to thar arris lachful, safand ilk manis rych; the throgat sal serf tham bath vp throu and don throu. Thir witnes, the balyhe Wil Mouat, John Lillay, Thom Dekyson, Gorg Wylyamson, John Yong, John Haw, John Henrison, seriand in that tym. Alsswa the sayd Sym and hys arris sall pay in the yeir yeyrly to be payit a mark of anwal to the sayd Mechal and his arris at thwa wswel termys in the yer, that is to say at Qwyssonday next to com half a mark and at Martemes next after another half mark, and the sayd Sym is oblyst for hym and his arris thai sal nother alli sel na wedset that land to na man bot it be to the said Mechal or his arris. The witnes befor in this samyn writtyn. Sasine. South Rau.

30 *January* 1456.

The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

Item, that day was mayd burgis John Smyth and Willi Bongus thai for x s. to pay at the balye wil. Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis has racwnnis the wast land in the North Gat for faut of the Kyngis burroumallis and for faut of the mallis thai war set for. Witnes the hal curt. Recognition. North Gat.

14 *February* 1456.

The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

Burgess. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Pottar and sal pay for his fredom xx^{ti} s., and x s. of that sal be pait be Bertylmes next to com and x s. at Qwyssonday next efter comand ; Gorg Wilyamson plegis for scottyng and al othir thyngis.

Claim, Wil Bullou against Wil Peblys. Item, that ilk day Wil Bullou stud vp in the curt and clamyt Wil Peblys of a sartan som of gold and siluer the qwylk he had geyfyng hym beyond the se to kyp, and than the said Wil Peblis denyit that he auch noyther tyl hym gold na siluer. Than Wil Bullou bad hym qwyt hym. Than the balyeis chardit hym to tak a nechbur on ilk hand onsuspekit and swer the gret ath ; and than the said Wilyam Peblys swer the gret ath be hys wittyng he auch hym nother gold na siluer, and than the thwa lel men swer the gret ath that ath was gud and lel be thair wittyng. Witness the hayl curt.

28 *February* 1456.

Burgh court. The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ...

James Thomson. Freedom. Item, that ilk day Pato Tenippyl entteris James Thomson hys man in plan curt to be lel and treu to the fredoum qwyl he and hys mastter can concord.

Burgess. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Patonson and sal pay for his fredom v and xx s., and x s. to pay within xiiij dayis; plegis Mechal Forest for al scottyng lottyng and al other borou mallis qwil the said Wyl get a land of his an.

28 *March* 1457.

Agreement as to heirship goods. It is to remember, the Tysday the xx^{ti} day and viij of the monath March the yer of God m cccc l and vij yer, that the wyf was Wyl Mowatis and John hyr son that is ar tyl hys fader Wil Mowat, that the said Jonet and hir son John Mowat ys acordit of his arscapat, and the said Jonet than incontinent deliuerit the arscap tyl John hir schon, and than the said John sald it agan tyl hys moder qwyl scho leyfis that scho nother sel na aly that arscap qwyl scho lefys bot geyf it stand hir and hym of gret nessisite, and the sayd Jonot sal geyf hym for the arscap xl s. and a yerris fyndyng, and geyf it hapnys the sayd Jonot to byg thar land that John sal suple tharto has he

is essposit; alsswa the sayd Wil Mowat mayd his wyf in his testment lachful towtor tyl hys ar the qwylk is wretyng in his testment with the paryst prestis hand; thir beand witnes, John Lillay, laird of Corscwnnyfeld, Thom Dekyson, John Lyllay yongar, James Gybson, John Stauher lorimar, John Smyth, John Donald borou clark in that tym, with ma other. Agreement as to heirship goods.

13 *April* 1457.[1]

The curt of the burgch [of] Peblys haldyng the Mononday. . . . . Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis has deliueryt the archap that was Wil Mouatis was delyuerit til his auwys, in the frest a brof caudron, a pot, thre qwarttis, a spet and lantter, a peudar chader, a dis, and a daplar and a sassar, a bassyn and a lauar, a qwart and a pent and a chapyn, the burd and the trast, the perlyn of the hal, alssua a met amri and wessal ammari, and of thir thyngys and a surd, a grap, a fader bed, a cruk, a chak, a chyar, a gon, and a hud and a bonat scarlat, a sillar belt, a sillar spon, a gilrdil and a bakbrid, a mortar, a ewch bed hal has it standis, a sadyl and a bridyl, the irntanis, xiiij pessis tember, a sper, a maskyn tub with the laf that langis it, alssua the gud wif sal mannor thir thyngys qwil scho lefis. Heirship goods.

26 *April* 1457.

The hed curt of the burch of Peblis haldyng the Tysday, ... Burgh court.

Item, that ilk day the custwm was set to Thom Dawison and Dobi Spendluf to xiij mark and a half, ilk an athir borch and Thom Dekyson borch for tham bath. Custom.

Item, that ilk day John Gofan has racunnyst with erd and stan a land the qwylk was John Lauson liand at the est end of the ton for faut of his anewel that is to say xij s. be the yir. Witnes Allan Smyth and John Arcones and this the ferst curt. Recognition.

18 *July* 1457.

The curt of the Burgch of Peblys halding the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

[1] This entry is dated 1457, but perhaps, considering the place it holds in the record, following the date 7th February 1457, the date should be 1458.

Burgess. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges James Yong and sal pay for hys fredom x s., v at Mechalmes and v at Kaludelmes, plegis hym self.

25 *August* 1457.

Sasine. Annual. It is to ramember, the Thrusday the xx[ti] day and 5 of the monath August the yeir of God m cccc l and vij, that Marion of Sellar the wif [of] James Loch has ressyngit with a penne xvj sellyn of anwel that scho had of Wil Bulliis land throu hir husband in John Dekyson hand than beand balye in that tym, and than the said Marion sour it was with hir wil and noch thret be husband na other, na scho swld noch clam thar to in tym to com; and than the balye chardit John the Wach seriand to geyf sessyng with a penne to Sym Loch and his arris of that xvj s of anwel, safand ilk manis rych, the sayd Sym na his arris sal noch jos na anwel qwl Wil Bulli termmis lesstis. Thir witnes, ...

28 *August* 1457.

Kingis land. It is to ramember, the Sonday the xx day and viij of the monath August the yer [of] God m cccc l and vij yer, that Thom Dekyson has set half a qwartar of the Kyngis land to Jonet the wyf was of Wil Thomson for the tremys iiij yer for xx s. of mayl yerly to be pait, and the said Thom Dekson arris or assyngnay sal warrand the sayd Jonot in hir tak hir arris or assyngnay qwyl the termmis of four yeir lesstys, hyr enttra beand at Qwyssonday bi pasit; thir beand witnes, ...

15*th September* 1457.

Obligation by Allan Smyth. It is to ramember, the Thrusday the xv day of September the yeir of God m cccc l and vij, that Allan Smyth has drauyng hys land and al his gud to be achet to the balyeis and the comonite of the ton to do the profit with it of the ton, that is to say the commoun ordenans that he sal hald hym within his an safand that he sal tak watter ilk day vt; witnes and borch is Dic Smyth and Thom Yong be the samyng condission, that is to say thar land and thar gudis.

John Smayl. Alssua, that ilk day, John Smayl has mayd the samen condission that he sal kyp the samyng ordenans befor wretyng and be the samyng cwndission.

Thom Dekyson and Gorg Wilyamson is borch be the sammyng condission, and the said John Smayl sal haif his thwa ky milkyt at his hedyard, and that he sal fech hym watter at his hedyard. John Smayl.

Alssua, that ilk dai John Wssar has mayd the samyn condission to kyp ordenans befor wryttyng, and has fendyng his land and his gud to borch, and John the Wach and Andro Folcart has fendyng thar land rych swa be the samyng condission. John Wssar.

Alswa, that ilk dai John Sellar be the samyng condission has drayng his land and his gud and he brek the ordynans befor mayd, borc for hym John Smyth his mayth be the samyn condission. John Sellar.

3*d October* 1457.

The hed curt of the burgch of Peblys haldyn the Mononday, ... Head court.

Thir was chossyng to qwest:—in the frest, Thom Loch elder, John Gibson, John Clark, John Qwych, Andro Melnar, Gorg Dawison, Rob Jamson, John Wilson, John Wodhal, Thom Fosstar, Rob Fosstar, Mecal Harwi, Thom Necolson, Thom Jamson, Andro Robenson. Inquest.

That ilk day was chossyng balyheis:—John Dekyson and Wil Bully Bailies.

Prissar fles:—Rob Morray, John Ancornes, John Stanhus, Rob Forstar. Flesh pricers.

Tastar al:—John Leth, Wil Patonson, Casse Weyr, Jame Yong; and for Casse, John Naper. Ale tasters.

Item, that ilk day was maid burges Willi Mader and sal pay for his fredom x s.; plegis John Mador for scottyng and al other thyngis. Burgess.

Item, that ilk day the balyheis and the hal comonyte has grantit thwa mark that langit Sant Jamys autar to Sir Jon Heltson to swpple our Lady seruys, and the said Ser Jon sal mak serwis for the sal that left tha thwa mark to be don at that autar; Witnes the hal curt. Our Lady service.

17 *October* 1457.

The curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyn the Mononday, ... Burgh court.

Thir ar the gud men of the qwest:—John Dekyson, John Mader, Thom Inquest.

Inquest. Dekyson, Thom Loch, Thom Dawison, Gorg Dauyson, Paton Tympil, Thom Jamson, Dic Smyth, John Hau, John Qwyth, Wilyam Peblis, John Vssar, John Clark, Rob Jamson.

Rood altar. Item, that ilk day the qwest with the consent of the curt has grantit til Sir Adam Fosstar his serwis has he had it befor til his term of Qwissonday; and fra Qwissonday fwrth the sayd Sir Adam sal haf the Common Strwder for x yer til es the Rud serwis with, and the sayd Sir Adam sal mak dalye serwis at the Rud ater in the hie kyrk of Peblis fra Qwissonday forth, his entra beand now as the hal curt assent.

Service of heir. Item, that ilk day the qwest fand John Bechat the son of Wil Bechat lachful ar til his em Wat Bechat of the land and anwal rentis liand within the burgh of Peblis, and than incontinent qwen the curt was don the balyeis yhed and gayf sessyng to the said John of a land liand in the said burgch and on the North Rau bethwen the land of the Wach on the vest part on the ta part and the land of Wil Bulli on the est part on the tother part, and than Jon Dekyson balye gert John Henrison seriand geyf sessyng with erd and stan to the said John of that land, ...

Resignation and Sasine. Item, that ilk dai Thom Dekyson eldar has ressyngit his land liand on the west sid Peblis Watter and the South Rau bethwen the land was Sir Jon Blaicis on the west part on the ta part and the land of John Blaklok on the est part on the tother part in Wil Bulli hand than beand balye in that tym; this ressyng the said Thom Dekyson mayd with this condission geyf that John Thomson com with the som that he gaif hym for that land that he wald pruf was his an leil won gud and to pay the cost geyf ony be mayd on it the land sal be his an, for this the said Thom said it was his condission, and than the balye gert John the Wach seriand geyf grund sessyng with erd and stan to Reche Dekyson the son of the said Thom Dekyson and tyl Reche arris, and the said Reche Dekyson jossand that tenement sal geyf his brother Adam Dekyson v nobyllis; thir beand witnes, ...

17 *November* 1457.

Accouuts. Memorandum est, the cont of the burgh of Pebillis made the xvij day of the moneth of Nouember the yer m° cccc° fyfty and vij yeris, beand balyais

than John Dekyson, Wyllyham Bullok; beand wytnes Wylyam of Pebillis, John Lyllay, Thom Dekyson, Thom of Loch, elder and yonger, John Huschar, Paton of Tempyll, George Dawyson, with other syndri. Accounts.

That day the sayd town and the myllar was evyn of the myllyng of Pebillis at this cont, and the sayd myller to pay x lib. of the Wytsonday term next followand.

That ilk day custumaris gaf thair cont and thai lefit in det of xlvij s. ij d. of thar Martymes mal bygayn at the cont.

That ilk day the balyais and the awdytouris has gewyn of the myller of the som of his x lib. befor wrytyn ij markis.

That ilk day the balyeis and the auditoris chardit that ilk day the custumaris to gyf John Donal, clark, xx^{ti} s. and Tom Gladou x s. and to John Donald wif xv d. that thai spendit at the cwnt.

Item, the balye gaf v s. to James Gybson for the hos bycgyn.

Item, x s. tan fra the cusstumaris ta the xiiij nobelis to the kynknis curroun * xij d.

Item, x s. geyfyng to the balyhe of the Candelmes term.

Item xx^{ti} s. geyfyng be the custemaris to Mechal Forest.

Item, the balye twk fra Doby v s. and gayf to James Gofan.

Item, the balye has tan fra Mechal Forest v nobilis.

Item, fra Andro Melnnar xx s.

Item, tan fra Andro Melnnar xvj s. geyfyng to Wil Peblys for the chamerlar met.

Item, the cwsstwmaris is qwyt of the Candilmes term in al and in siluer.

Item, the sayd balyhe laid don ij s. at the Justys Ar for the comysson and xij d. to Tempill in drenk qwhen he ressafit the gold in Marion Lauson.

Alswa, the balye John Dekyson has gefyng to the pursmasster xl s. and vj in siluer and pondis and x s.

21 *November* 1457.

It is to remember, the Mononday the an and xx^{ti} day of the monath Chamberlain air.

* Perhaps kyngis currour.

Chamberlain air.

November the yer [of] God m cccc l & vij, that day was the wssay of the chamerlan ayr.

Wil Dennis.

That ilk day Wil Dennis was maid qwyt of John Sellar clam be sis apon syis of the chammerlan, fryst of pyndyn and syn of wrangwis haldyn.

Thom Robenson.

Alsswa, that ilk day the curt awardit that Thom Robenson was qwyt of Thom Dobi clam.

Gorg Robenson.

Alssua, it was fwnd the doubyl syis of the chammerlan for the mar secarnes, and this was for the clam had til hym of Gorg Robenson.

16 *January* 1457.

Head court.

The hed curt of the burgch of Peblis haldyng the Mononday, ...

Inquest.

Thir ar the gud men of the qwest: Thom Loch, John Smayl, Thom Dekison, Mechal Harwy, John Hau, Paton Temppyl, Rob Fosstar, Thom Dawison, John Clark, John Wilson, John Gibson, Wil Balcaske, Thom Jamson, Thom Robenson, Rob Jamson, John Lillay, John Mador, John Wssar, Mechal Forest, Andro Melnnar.

Recognition. Thom Dawison.

Item, that ilk day Thom Dawison has racwnyst with erd and stan a land qwylim was Thom Wodman for faut of his anwal, that is to say ij s be the yer, thir beand witnes: Paton Kynpont and Rob Forfar, and this the frist curt.

Wilyam Gofan.

Item, that ilk day Thom Dekyson, atornay to Wilyam Gofan, has racwnnyst with erd and stan a land was John Lauson liand at the est end of the ton for faut of his anwal, that is xij s be yer, thir beand witnes: Thom Necolson and John Fildar, and this the thrid curt; and than the seriand proclamyt thrys at the cors geyf thar was ony of the arris wald com within xl days and pay the mallis bygan bruk wel thar land, and geyf thai wil noch the lard wil maynowr hys land has lau wil.

30 *January* 1457.

Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Sandy Cant and sal pay for his fredom x s, and of that is alowit for his rydyn to the ost v s, borch for hym his eld fader John Mador for scottyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Jame Morray and sal pay for his fredom x s, his land plegis hymself.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Red, and sal pay for his fredom x s., at Beltan v s. and at Mechelmes other v s ; plegis John Red for scottyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn, and drauis his land in borch qwil he get a land scotiuyabil of his an. Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Patryk Dekyson, and burges silwer was alouit til his eld fader Mechal Forest; his fader Thom Dekyson plegis for him.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Ade Naper and sal pay for his fredom x s., v s. at Mechalmes and v at Qwissonday efter; John his fader plegis for al that langis him.

Item, that ilk day was mayd pursmasster Mechal Forest with common assent to kyp the common gud in and deliuer it furth with consent of the balye and a sartan of the dussan. Purse master.

Item, that ilk dai Gorg Robenson askyt hou that the curt decryit that day that Thom Doby clamit the said Gorg of a sartan som of siluer, the qwylk the said Gorg sayd he auch noch, and than the balyeis chardit the partis to ga forth and the curt suld decet hou it stud be thwen tham, the parti ramotit, the curt awisit about and than wardit that Gorg Robenson was qwyt of the sayd Thom Doby clam. Decreet. Gorg Robenson.

7 *February* 1457.

Thir ar the lynnaris : Wil Bulli, Thom Loch, John Wssar, Paton Temppyl, John Clark, Thom Gibson, Mechal Forest, John Smayl, Thom Dauyson, Dic Cant, John Gybson, Thom Jamson, Dic Smyth. Lynnaris.

10 *April* 1458.

Item, that ilk day Andro Melnnar tuk the meln a yer for xx^{ti} mark, plegis John Rocasstal and hym self. The Mill.

Item, that ilk day Thom Dawison and Rob Fosstar has tan the cusstwm for x pond, and John Blaklok borch for Rob Fosstar, Thom Dawison borch for hym self, and tha sal has pai has Thom Dauyson and his falou dit be for. Witnes the hal curt Custom.

Item, that ilk day John Gofan com in the curt to the balyeis and askyt Recognition.

Recognition. John Gofan.

decret geif that he had won his land lachfulli be the lau at thre hed curtis and this the ferd curt, and the balyeis gert a seriand cry at the tolboth dour geyf thar was ony that wald com that was ar to John Lauson and pay the mal by gan and bruk the land and thar was nan that wald com, than qwhen the curt was don than the balye Wil Bulli geyf sessyng with erd and stan to John of Gofan of that land. Witnes the hayl curt.

Our Lady chapel.

Item, that ilk day Sir Jon Smayl has geyfyng sessyng til our Lady of the Chaipale of iiij s. and viij d. anwal of a land was Thom Newby liand in the Northgat and on the West Rau . . . . ; alssua that ilk day the said Sir Jon Smayl has geyfyng sessyng to that said Emag of xx d. anwal of the land was Andro Symsonis liand on the Conze at the hed of the Briggat ; alsswa that ilk day the said Sir Jon Smayl has geyfyng sessyng to the said Emag vij s. of his an land liand on the west syd Peblis Watter and on the South Rau . . . . ; and sa thir thre is a mark. Witnes the hal curt.

24 *April* 1458.

Venlaw.

Item, that ilk day it was ordanyt be the curt that ony gud that was tan on the Wenlau or within the yard of the ton the pond sal be ij d. onforgefyn and mend the scath neuir the les.

Act anent qualifications of chapellanes.

Item, it is ordanit be the balyeis and the hale communite that in tym to cum thair be na chapellane present na put to na service that is foundyt or sal be foundyt in Sanct Androwis kyrk or within the parochyn, to the qwhilkis the balyeis and the communite of Peblis ar tutowris keparis or gouernowris, bot he that can syng playn syng at the leste, the qwhilk sal cum on Soundays and other haly days til evinsyng and mes to be dou with note in Sanct Androwis kyrk, the qwhilk chapellane sal be a burges son of the town gif sic ane may be gottyn abil thairfor, the qwhilk sal be chosyn be the balyeis with the consent of the hale communite and noch at the request of na singlar person.

Sir Wilyam of Fulop

Item, it is ordanit and grantyt frely be the balyeis and the hale communite that Sir Wilyam of Fulop chapellane sal be present and put in and to the first service that sal hapyn vacand in thair gouernans for his service now to begyn, to the qwhilk service he sal be present yerly efter as he makis service.

1 *May* 1458.

It is to ramember, the Mononday the fryst day of Maye the yer of God m cccc l and viij, that masster John Geddes is oblyst within thwa yeir that he sal mak a challis the prys of honder syllyn, or ellis delyuer a honder sellyn in Wil Peblis hand within thwa yeir, and al oudir clamis is qwyt-clamyt to master John and the den; and Wil Peblis is borch that this be fullit; alssua the said master John is oblist to the said den and Wilyam Peblis be his land and his gudd to kyp tham scathles. Chalice to be made.

Item, that ilk day Sir Jon Byltson is oblyst that he sal mak up our Ladi challis be Lammas, borch thar for John Madour, and the said Sir Jon is oblyst to John Madour to [kyp] hym scathles be his land and his gud. Our Lady chalice.

5 *June* 1458.

Item, that ilk day it was concordit be the balyeis and the hal commonteys that ony man mayd tulyhe within the town sal pay x s. onforgeyfyng to the common wark or he com owt of the tolboth, and this was common ordenans. Against tulyies.

Item, that ilk day Henri Bochan was in an onlau to the balyeis, borch hymself for the onlau. Unlaw.

Item, that ilk day was burgis Wil Carwor and sal spos his woman within a mochnath, onder the pan v mark. Burgess.

17 *June* 1458.

It is to ramember, the Setterday the xvij day of Junij, the yer of owr Lorde m cccc lviij yheris, that Wilyam of Peblis and Thomas Hardkneis, executowris of vmqwhile Jamys Allane burges of Peblis diuidit and assignyt the gudis that pertenyt to the barnis of the said Jamys to sic price and valow as thai thocht metis, and fully consentyt at the nerrast and tenderast frendis of the said barnys suld put tham in gouernans, with thair gudis, to thair gud fader John Smale, or to ony other qwhar thai thocht profitabil and spedfull; and than furthwyth John Pede, Wille Pede, and John the Vache, beand present, put tha barnis and thar gudis in gouernans til John Smale and thair moder, thai vphaldand sextein markis as the stok til the barnis, James Allane's barnis.

James Allane's barnis.

in the qwhilk xvj markis the arschip is contenyt, and thairof restand in Sir Thomas Alanis hand thre markis and iiij s., for the qwhilk sowm of sextein markis lely to be payd to qwham and qwhen it efferis gif the said John obtenis or gettis the said thre markis and iiij s. fra the said Sir Thomas, and falyand thairof it to be falkyt of the hale sowm; the said John Smale drawis hymself, his ayris, executoris, and his lands in borgh befor thir witnes: Thomas Dekison, Wilyam of Peblis, John Downald, Georgis Dawison and Thomas Jamson, burges of Peblis and Sir Thomas Hardkneis notar, with other syndry.

19 *June* 1458.

Corn and lint. King's mail.

Item, that ilk day it was ordanyt be the hal curt that al the wast land that was lynt or corn sawin that na man na woman tak it of that grwnd qwyl the Kyngis mayl be pait onder the payn tharefter folouys.

Common.

Item, that ilk day is concordit be the balyeis and the hal commwnyte to som thar hal common, and the balyeis and commouys is concordit to vij persounis to thar ordenans for a yer, and this ordenans is concordid for a yer.

31 *July* 1458.

Tolbooth.

Item, that ilk day John Lillay com borch for Andro Cady of x s. to the tolboth.

2 *October* 1458.

Head court.

The hed curt of the burgh of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday the secund day of the monath October the yer God m cccc lviij, the sutts callit, the curt effermyt, ilk absent in amerssiment. Wil Patonsan, Rob Fosstar.

Baillies.

Item, that ilk was chossyn balyeis Rob Mader and John Dekyson.

Flesh pricers.

Prissaris flis: Pat Kelo, Thom Fildar, John Wssar, James Moray.

Ale tasters.

Tasstaris al: Ade Naper, Harloubank, Andro Cadi, Sym Bron, John Naper for Sym Bron.

Browsters.

Item, that ilk day it was ordanit be the qwest that ony brosstar that brak prys the fryst faut a galon of al, the next falt thwa, the thred falt thre, the ferd falt viij s.

Item, that ilk day, Thom Dawyson has racwnyst with erd and stan a land liand in the North Gat that was Thom Wodman land for faut of his anwal ij s. be yer; thir witnes: Doby Spedluf and Wil Dennis; this the thred curt; and than John Wach seriand criit at the cors gef that the arris wald com within forti days and pay the anwal bygan and than bruk thar land in Godys nam. Recognition. North Gat.

16 *October* 1458.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Willi Smayl and sal pay for his fredom x s., plegis hymself. Burgesses admitted.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Smyth and sal pay for his fredom x s. at the fawar of the balyeis and commonis.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Portus and sal pay for his fredom xl s., thwenti but fauyr to pay.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges John Morchanson and he sal pay for his fredom v nobelis, forty s. to pay but fawar.

7 *November* 1458.

That ilk day, the vij day of Nouember the yer m cccc lviij yeris, befor the chawmerlane, Thom Robyson and Georg was fund be an inqwyst quhyt of the som that Thom Doby clamyt apon tham of xxviij s. iiij d. Chamberlain Air. Thom Doby's claim.

Item, that ilk day Thom Robyson askyt at the chawmerlane law bowrous of Thom Doby, and than the chawmerlane chargyt Thom Doby to fynd law borous, and than thair com law borch for hym John Dekyson of the Smethfeld and that the sayd Thom suld be skathlas bot as the curs of common law askis of the sayd Doby and his purches. Lawburrows.

Item, that ilk day, the Ar of the Chamerlan haldyng at Peblis, thar com in Andro Robenson with a byl complant on his eldmoder Jonot Monat, sayand scho held fra hym and fra Jok Ancornes and Willy Red the arscap that thai langit to haif of Jon Monat, and than the chamerlan deputtis send efter the gud wyf, and than the gud wyf deniit scho held nan fra tham becawis scho had cofit fra hir son in his *leg poste* qwyl he was lewand, and than of this scho clamyt witnes to the common buk, and than the chamerlan gert the clark fetch the common buk and than that recordit Jon Monat's heirship.

Jon Monat's heirship.

has the gud wyf sayd for scho said scho gayf til hir son xl s. to pas in Yngland, and than Andro Robenson said thai xl s. suld be tharis, and than the gud wyf sayd scho had pait hym tha xl s. and a gra gon and a red bonet, the qwilk scho coft at John Smayl, and than the Chamerlain chardit that gud wyf gan ham and manwr that arschap qwyl scho lefys and geyf it stand her of ned scho may sel part of that til hir lefying.

20 *November* 1458.

Accounts.

Memorandum, that the cont of the burgh of Pebylls is maid the xx day of the monath of Nouember the yer m cccc lviij yeris, be the balyais, John Dekyson and Wylyham Bullok, thir beand awdytouris Wylyam of Pebyllis, John Madour, Thom of Loch elder, John Smal, Paton of Tempyll, Georgis Dawyson, Mechel of Forest, John Gybsoun John of Rowcastell, with other mony, all thingis contyt that suld be contyt and alowit that suld be lowyt.

Item, that ilk day, Andro Myllar gaf his cont and out rede and payt of all termes bygane tyl the next term of Wytsonday.

Item, that ilk day the custumaris out rede and payt the custum of al termes bygane, saffand Rob Forster iij s.

Item, in this ilk yer the expenssis the chawmerlanis costis drawis iiij lib. xij s. of the said burchg, and it is ordainit to be payt be this maner: fra John Morchoson xl s.; item, fra John Portus of the Rawchan xx s.; item, fra Pat of Connyngham j mark; item, fra Wylle Smale x s.; item, fra the custumaris vj s of thair martymes term of befor; item, fra Thome Smyth iiij s., and he has payt his burges syluer.

Item, that ilk day the borou mallis was gaderit, spendit xvj d.

16 *April* 1459.

Inquest.

Thir ar the gud men of qwest: Thom Dekyson, Thom Dawison, Gorg Dawyson, Wil Bulli, Jon Wilson, John Car, Wil Demis, Jon Smayl, Die Wilson, Jon Gybson, Lau Cady, Rob Fosstar, Jon Frassel, Paton Temppil, Jon Roucasstal, James Morray.

Mill.

Item, that ilk day Andro Melnnar twk the meln of Peblis for thwen mark.

Item, the custwm was [set] that day to Thom Dauyson and Doby Spendlof for xv mark. Custwm.

30 *April* 1459.

Item, that ilk day Gorg Wilyamson has brokyn sessyng with thwa dissis and fyr onder the dissis sayand sai that sessyng was is fals and ruyn with the self that was to Thomas Louys, sayand thair auch nan to haf sessyng of that land bot hym self, thir beand witnes: John Mador balye in that tym, Gorg Elffynston, John Lillay, Tom Dekyson yongar, Thom Dekyson, Thom Dauyson, John Dauyson, John Henrison seriand in that tym. Sasine broken.

4 *May* 1459.

It is to ramamber, the Fryday the ferd day of May the yeir of God m cccc lix, that ilk day com John Boukyl to the balye John Dekyson and askyt at hym sessyng of thua anwallis, than the balye bad hym schau his pouar qwath he had for hym, and than he schou powar of the Kyng that he was mayd lachful atornay for Catryn Cant of thai thua anwallis, and than the balye gert the seriand John Wach geyf sessyng with penne of a land lyand euest the cors of Sir Andro Borris on the North Rau next anexthalf Jame Thomson land ix s. be yeir, and than incontenent the seriand gaf sesseng with penne of a land Mechal Forest vj s. liand bethwen the land Thom Loch on the west part on the ta part and the land Gorg Wilyamson on the est part on the tother part, safand ilk mannis rych; thir witnes:— the balye John Dekyson, Master John the Wach notar, Thom Dawison, John Dawison, John Wach, John Donald bourou clark in that tym, with ma othir. Sasine. Annuals.

25 *June* 1459.

Item, that ilk day it was concordit be the balyeis and the hal cort that ony man that layd medyn on the causa and liti for dayis sal pay, vnforgefyng, viij s. Middings.

Item, that ilk day John Lyllay yonger was chalangit be the balyhais and the commonite of the forssyng and the takyn of his fader gudis and his fra Thom Person thair common seruand, and of the strykyng of the sayd Thom, has he that pyndyt the gud lauchfully apon the Wenlaw as Forcing goods from an officer.

Forcing goods from an officer.

common statut was ordanit, and for tha fautis makyn the sayd John becom in the balyais and the twnys wyll of xx s. at thair wyllis rassyng and takyn to be payit; plegis Georgis of Elphynston, Wyllyem of Peblis, Patrik of Nesbet, and Georgis Dawyson. And at the sayd Thom Person be skathlas of the sayd John Lyllay and his purches, bot as the cours of common law askis; plegis the forsayd iiij personis. Item, gyf the sayd John defautis in sic maner and tym cumyng aneutis the toun he sal pay, but fawyr, xl s.; plegis the forsayd four personis.

Arnot's Hanch.

Item, that ilk dai, John Dekyson and the balye and Wil Peblis and Gorg Elffynston mayd raqwest to the balyeis and the hal commonte for to lat Dic Robenson haf Arnotis Hale qwhyl he lefis, and that fendit al God forbet that neuir nan of hym na his sed com in that malyn agan.

4 *July* 1459.

Concord between Forest and Loch.

Item, it is to remember, the Wednysday the ferd day of the monath Julij the yer of God m ccce l and ix, that the wyf of Mechal Forest is concordit that hir masster and scho sal lay thar grath in the gal on Sir Jon Lochys to mak thar yet sekyr, and of this condission Sym Loch is assentit tharto has he that has scat of the fe.

12 *July* 1459.

Fechtyng.

The quhylk day, befor the ballyhais and the commonite, was certane persounis brocht befor thaim and chalangit for fechtyng, that is to say Thom of Balcaske and Wyllem Bulle yonger, the ta party, and the tother party John Smayle and Wyllem Smayle, and than the balyais chessyt of the best and of the worthiest men of the town xiij for tyl mak knawyn and tyl dissyide makeris of that fechtyng and than be verray document of thaim that herd and saw the begyning of that bargan the gud men that yeid apon it fand that Thom of Balcaske and Wylle Bulle was the mufaris of that bargan, and thairfor thai haf ordanit and decretit that Thom of Balcaske pay to the byggyn of the tolbuth xx s., plegis Wyllem of Balcaske; and than attour thai haf ordanit and decretit gyf euir the sayd Thom distrowbyllis or fechtis other with that party or ony other nychtburis within the town and he be fundyn in the faut that he sall pay, but fawyr, to the twn x lib., plegis Wyllem of Balcaske his hand and his gudis. Item, thai haf ordanit and

decretit that Wyllem Bulle yonger, for the faut that he made, that he pay to the tolbuth x s., plegis his fader Wylyam Bulle; and alsua thai haf ordanyt and decretit that gyf in tym cumyng the sayd Wyllem Bulle yonger distrowbyllis or fechtis other with the forsayd party or with ony other nychtburis of the town and he be fundyn in the faut he sal pay to the town, but ony fawyr, xl s., plegis his fader Wyllyam Bulle. Item for the strykyn of Katrine the wif of Wylle Smayl efter the skathyng apperand in hyr persoun, other than or in tyme cumyng, of that fechtyng the mendis of hir sall be at the rassyng and at the wyllis of thir persounis:—Schir Rechart Purdy dene of the cristianite of Peblis, Georg of Helphynstoun, Wyl of Peblis and Thom Dekyson; plegis Wilyam Bulle his hand and his gudis. Fechtyng.

23 *July* 1459.

Item, that ilk day, John Murchowsoun was decretyt be the court in x s. to pay, but fawuris, and all fauttis bygan forgewyn, and at the sayd John sall com in the gud town tyl induel hymself and with his gud, vnder the payn of xl s. to pay, but fawur; plegis hymself his hand and his gud be Mechelmes next to cum. Decreet.

1 *October* 1459.

The hed curt of the burgch of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday. . . . Head court.

Thir ar balyeis: Thomas Dekyson, Wil Peblis. Bailies.

John Naper, Lore Lauson, Dicke Pattonson, John Portus, the tasteris of al. Ale tasters.

John Morchonson, John Geddes, Willi Smayl, Thom Smyt, the pryssaris fles. Flesh pricers.

29 *October* 1459.

The curt of the burgch Peblis, haldyng the Mononday, . . . Court.

This is the qwest:—Wil Bulli, John Wssar, Andro Folcart, John Forfar, John Roucasstil, Thom Gordon, John Blaklok, John Wilson, John Gibson, Gorg Wilyamson, Paton Temppil, Thom Dauyson, Dic Smyth, Andro Melnnar, Thom Yong, John Smayl, Lau Cadi. Inquest.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Meg Wodhal, and sal mak for hir fredom a rud of caussa; plegis Thom Necolson. Burgesses.

Burgesses. Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Andro Gladou, and he sal mak a rud of cassa; plegis John Sellar.

Item, that ilk day was mayd burges Thom Geddes, and sal mak for his fredom a rud cassa; plegis Willi Smayl.

Finding of inquest. Alswa, that ilk day, Paton Temppil com befor the balyeis and askyt at tham lau of Adam Welfed has that coft at hym a sartan of gud a yer bygan, the qwylk that he planttys of be the wil of v s., the said Adam anssard and deniit that he aws hym ony syluer, and than the balyeis put it to qwest, and the qwest fand that he suld be dettour of the som bot he mycht pruf with suffysand prwf that is fuwli content and payit, and than the forsad Paton askyt at the balyeis at this war fwfyllit, and than the balye chargit the forsad Adam to get xv dayis and bryng his pryf with hym and pruf his pament or than to content in the forsad Patton of the siluer that he is planttis of. Witnes of this at the hal curt.

14 *January* 1459.

Head court. The hed curt of the burgch of Peblis, haldyng the Mononday, . . .

Inquest. Thir ar the qwest: Wil Bulli, Thom Loch, eldar, Andro Folcart, Paton Temppyl, James Murra, Jon Lillay, Thom Gordon, Andro Melmar, Jon Wilson, Dic Cant, Jon Gybson, John Blaklok, John Smayl, Gorg Wilyamson, Thom Robenson.

21 *January* 1459.

The town and haly kirk. The balyais, Wyllyam of Peblis and Thom Dekyson, with the doussan, and with thaim of the eldest of the town, present in John Smayllis hous gaderyt, for the reformatioun of certane thyngis langande bath the town and Haly kirk, the quhylk day Sir John Heltson in our Lady name of the Hee Kyrk alegyt and folowit iiij s. of anwel of the est syde of the land of Mathow Hutteris, and than incontinent Sir Adem Fosster, seruande to the Rude seruice, agayn callyt the sayd Sir John clam of the Ruddis behalf and sayde thai iiij s. of anwell was the Rudis and nocht our Ladis that wrangwysly thai war withhaldyn fra the Rude be our Lady seruandis, the quhylkys was fundyn of befor be the eldest and of the best with the chossyng doussane sytand and decretand thairapon, and that the sayd Sir John denyt and sayd it was nothir put to syss na quest na yyt men sworn thairto; and than the balyais

and the gud men that was thair present gert the partys remufe and thai suld determyt thairapon, and than the sayd dounsane and the eldest of the town thair present fand the forsayd iiij s. worth of anwel the Rudis and to gang to the Rude seruice, sielic as it was fundyn be the decret of befor, and chargit the sayd Sir John to sess for thai fand that our Lady had na rycht to that anwel be the document and knawlag of the eldest of the gud toun. The town and haly kirk.

2 *April* 1460.

It is to ramember, the secund day of the moneth of Apryll in the yer of God m ccce and thre schor of yeris, ws balyeis in the tym, Wylyem of Pebillis and Thomas Dicyson, and the comvnyteis of our burgh of Pebillis, wyth consent and assent of the sayde communyteys, we hafe set and to ferme lattyn and be this our present wryt in our commown buk settis and to ferme lattis tyl our lwfyt burges Jhon Smayll, Thom Yong, Thom Robynson, and Thom Glado all and hal our landis wyth the pertynes lyand and beand betuex the waterys on the swtht half of our sayd burgh quhylkis is callyt our Commwn Halch, for all the termys of sewynten yeris nest and togeder foloand the dat of this present wryt, for a ssertan sowm of wswall mone of Scotland tows thankfully beforhand payit be the sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom for all and hayll the mayllis of all and syndry the termys of the for wryttyn sewynten yeris of our sayd landis of our Commoun Halch, the quhylkis forswtht of the forsayd certan sowm of mone of mayll wye grant ws to haf rassauyt and takyn beforhand be the forsayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom and haldis ws thairof wyell payit content and assytht and the sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom thar ayris exsycuturis and assygnayis thairof dyschargis qwyhtclemes and exonor for euirmar be this our present wryt. To be haldin and had al and syndry our forsayd landis of our Commoun Halch, wyth all fredomys commodytyis and essymentis to the said land pertenand or rychtwysly may perteyn, endurand the sayd sewynten yeris ass maylaris brukis on four half abowt or acht to brwk lelyi but fraud or geyll, the entre forswtht of the for sayd Jhon, Thom, Thom and Thom of our landis of our Commoun Halch beand at the next Wytsonday efter the dat of the makyn of this wryt. And wye forswtht the forsayd balyeis and communyteis our hayris exsicuturis and assygnayis al and syndry our forsayd landis befor nemyt wyth the pertenens, endurand all the termys of the forwrytyn sewynten yeris, the forsaydis Jhon, Thom, Common Hauch.

Common Hauch.

Thom and Thom thair ayris exsycutoris or assygnayis in maner form and effec as is befor wryttyn agaynis all men and women sal warand qwhytclem and defend. Thir beand wytnes: the forsayd balyeis, Thom of Loch elder, Jhon Wschar elder, Wyl Bule elder, George Dauesoun, Jhon Gybsoun, Paton of Tempill, Jhon of Rowcastell, James of Gowan, Dic Smyth, Alan Smyth, Jhon Potter, Jame Lausoun, Andro Glado, Thom Dauesoun, Doby Spendluf, Wyl of Balcaske commoun clerk, Jhon the Wach seriand, Patt Henrissoun seriand, Thom the Hay scheraf deput, and Stewyn Derlyn kyng seriand.

21 *April* 1460.

Road service annuals.

The hede court of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn the xxj day of the moneth of Appryl the yer of God m cccc lx yeris, be the balyais Wylyam of Peblis and Thomas Dekysoun, the suttis callit, the court effermyt.

The quhilk day, comperyt in cwrt Sir Adam Fostar, seruand to the Rwd awter, and clemyt iiij s. of anwel to the Rwd scruys of a land of Qwhylliam Watsoun, and for to declar that he brocht Sir John Wylyemsoun notar the quhylk suorn deponyt be hys gret acht that he hym self twk swmquhyl ta the Rwd servys tha iiij s. of the sayd landis and be hys knawlege pertenys yyt to the Rwd servys.

That ilk day comperit in cwrt Thomas of Loch and brocht twa wytnes, Doby Spendlwf and James Lawson, the quhylk sworch the gret acht that the said Thom of Loch recwnyssyt a land on the Cwnze pertenand to Rob of Percle for half a mark of anwel be yer, and this is the secwnd curt.

That ilk day the samyn wytnes swer that Sir Adam Forstar recwnysit the samyn land for a mark of anwell be yer to the rwd serwys, and this the secwnd cwrt.

Burgesses.

That ilk day James the Wach and Thom Jonsoun was mad burges; borgh for James the Wach nychbwrhed and bowromall Jhon the Wach, and Jhon Dykeson borch for the sayd Thom Jhonsoun of hys nychburhed and of hys bowromall; the forsaid James for xx s. and for the forsaid Thomas a rwd of cawsa or the price of a rwd makyn and that is x s.

Item, that ilk day James Thomson was mayd burges payand, but fawer, a mark be Trinyte Sonday, and borch for that and hys nychtburhed and hys bowromaill Patryk of Tempyll

26 *May* 1460.

Burgess.

It is to haf in mynd that Jhon Hyltsoun was mad burgis befor the balyeis and the nychtburis the xx day of May the yer of our Lord m cccc and lx; item, he sall pay for his burgis syluer x s. in hand and v s. betuex this and Scante Bertylmes day; item, Wylyem of Pebillis is borch for hys dewytis and for his bwromall and his nychtburhed.

9 *June* 1460.

Sasine disputed.

The quhylk day, comperyt in cwrt Sir Wylyam Smaill, procuratur for Jhon Smail twtur to Katryn Smail his dochter, and askyt at the balyeis to gar red the landis of the said Katryn, to quham thai gert geif sessyng, and to ger be declaryt qwhether scho acht to byd wyth hir possessioun or nocht. The parteis ramoffeyt, the cwrt avissit, declarit that the possessioun that thai gafis thai vnderstwd was lachfull, and that scho swld byd wyth hyr possessioun.

And rycht thair comperyt Thom Dicysoun of the Smythtfeld, procuratur for Sir Thomas Kenete, and alegit and said at that sessyn that Katryn Smail had tane was na sessyn lachful bot intrwssioun and was lachfully brokyn, and said that the said Sir Thomas Kenedy was in the Kyngis respit at the byschop of Scant Andoris has of the Kyngis as famelyar tyl hym ay quhyl the byscopis ham come and xl dayis efter his hame come, and forbad the balyeis the nychtburis and any of the Kyngis legis that thai entermet with thai landis or brek that respit quhil the tym cwm at the respit be rwn and the byschop come hame.

21 *October* 1460.

Court.

The cwrt of the burgh of Pebillis, haldyn apon the Tyisday, ...

Thom Swyft's claim.

That ilk day, Thom Swyft comperit in the cwrt and askyt Andro Folcart xiij stane of woll the quhylk he acht tyl hys fader, and than Andro Folcart denyt ony det that he acht to Thom Swyft, and than Andro Folcart sayd that thar was rekning betwyx his fader and hym of the quhylkis thair was ane obligacioun and bad hym schaw hym his obligacioun and he swld ansuer to the obligacioun, and he said he mysterit nocht to schaw the obligacioun for he said he was ayr tyl his fader and bad Andro quhyt hym of ony det at he acht tyl hym, and that he put to God and a sys.

Deliverance by assize.

And than the sys was chosin, and the gret athtis thairapon maid that thai suld lelili and trewly be the wytand declar thairapon, and yid fwrtht and was awyssit and come hyn agayn accordit thairapon, and said that thai fand rekning betwyx Andro Folcart and Jhon Swyft and bad Thom Suyft bryng the obligacioun and Andro Folcart suld mak rekning to the obligacioun.

Assize.

Thir was the gwd men of the assys: Mychel of Forest, Patrik of Tempil, Dyc Bulle, Georg Daueson, Jhon Haw, Jhon Gybson, Doby Spendlwf, Sym Conno, Thom Daueson, James of Gouane, Wyl Smaill.

3 *November* 1460.

Court.

The curt of the burgh of Pebillis, haldyn apon the Mononday, ...

That ilk day was chosyn balyeis Vylyem of Pebillis and Thomas Dykysoun.

Bailies.

Thir ar the all cwnarris: Thom Johnson, Jhon Hyltson, Andro Glado, Thom of Gedes.

Ale tasters.

Thir ar flesch prysaris: James the Wach, Vylyem Wrycht, Henry Buchan, Vyl Reyd.

Flesh pricers.

Thir ar the gud men of the Inquest: Vylyem Bulle, Thom Daueson, Law Cade, John Gybson, Thom Robyson, Patryk of Tempyl, John Clerk, Thom of Loch, Daue Vylsoun, John Fresall, James the Wach, Jhon Forfayr, Rob Forfayr, Thom Dykyson, Jhon Daueson.

Inquest.

November 1460.

Tolbooth.

It is ordanyt that Dic Bulle sal haf xl s., for the laubor that he makis of the tolbuth, sa that he be besy and ger the werk be endyt.

16 *February* 1460.

Disobedience.

The quhylk day, the cwrt fand Sir Jhon Hyltson dyssabeyeris of bayleis and of nychburis.

27 *April* 1461.

Common of Hamyldoun.

The quhylk day, the balyeis nychtburis and the hal communyte set tyl a wyrchypfull man Thomas the Hay full and hall the commoun off Homyldoun

wyth the pertenans, for al the termys of v yerris next foloand his entra, beand at the Wytsonday efter this curt, for v markis of vsswall mone of Scotland yerly, to be payit at tua vsswall ternys that is to say Wytsonday and Martymes be ewyn porssyonys, safand at he sal pay at hys entra xl s. of formaill; and the nychtburris of Pebillis sal haf fredom for al the said termys to cast turris and pwl hedder, wyn thaim led thaim and goueran thaim rycht as thai did or he was tenand. Borch and detteris for the maill: Thom Vylle, Andro Folcart, Andro Mylner and Vyll Red. Common of Hamyldoun.

The quhylk day, was maid burgis Vchwn Merchoson, and sal pay xx s. for hys fredom befor the fest of Sancte Peter calit Lammes; borch for hys dewyteis the lard of Frud, and Wyl Dykyson that he sal do nychtburhed lyk as ony other nychburis doyis. Burgesses.

The quhylk day, was maid burgis Georg Robynson, and sal pay x s. for hys fredom betuex this and Mychelmes; borch for his syluer and for hys nychtburhed Jhon Dykyson yongar.

The quhylk day, Wyl Dykyson twk the custum for xiiij markis and xl d. for the next yer; borch Jhon Dykyson yongar, Wyl Dykyson of Brochtoun and Thom of Gordoun. Custom.

19 *June* 1461.

Thir ar the lynnoris to serf the burgh of Pebillis: + Wylyem Bulle, Rychart Cant, + Jhon Haw, Thomas Jamson, Georg Daueson, + Llaw Cade, +Jhon Cwek, + Thom of Gordoun, Patryk of Tempyll, Dic Smytht, James Gibsoun, Jhon Murchosoun, + Jhon of Wodhaw, Thom Jonsoun, Tom Yong, Thom Gibsoun.[1] Lynnoris.

28 *July* 1461.

Ws, balyeis of Pebillis in that tym beand in the offyce, Thomas Dykisone, Mychel of Forest, and the communyteis of the said burgh, wyth consent and assent of the saidis commonitis, Jhon Dykyson of the Smythfeld and Rynyan Dykyson his son and aperand ayr to the said John, vs tyl haf set and to ferm lattyn and be this our present vryt in our common buk Let of common mills.

[1] Immediately under the above list, in which certain names are marked in the MS. as above with a +, there is written, on what seems to have originally been left a blank space in the record, the following:—The lynowris of the burchg; Rechart Cant, Thom Jamsoun, George Davysoun, Dic Smyth, Simon of Loch, John Davysoun, John Huscher, Thom Haw, Wylliam Bulle, James Gybsoun, Andro Folkart, Thom Jamsoun, Thom Forster, Patrik of Tempyll, John Morchowsoun, Thom Yong massoun.

Let of common mills.

settis and to ferm lattis tyl our luffit burges and nychtbur Andro Mylner our myllis and myllingis, that is to say, our commoun myl stananand apon the Vater of Pebillis and on the north half of our said burgh, and our myl and myllingis stanand vnder the Castelhyll vnder the suth syd of the said hyll, for al the termis dayis and yeris of his lyf and lefin in erd efter the dait of this present vrit in maner and form as efter folois: that is to say, the forsaid Andro sal pay yerly of iij yeris foloand efter the dat of his entra in the saidis millis and myllingis xx^{ti} and vj markis of wswall mone of Scotland at twa wswel termys of the yer, that is to say at Mertymes in vynter xiij markis and at Wytsounday in somer aythcr xiij markis, and alsweil at vther tymes in the yer as at tha termes gaif the toun neidis or mysteris quhen he is chargit be the balyeis and the commonittis of the said burgh at his gudly pouer; and fra the iij yeris be fulleli by passit and outron the forsaid Andro in the samyn maner, in yeris and at termys befor spokin, sal pay xx pundis of wssual mone of Scotland to the said burgh be evin portionis for the forsaidis myllis and myllyngis and of the forsaid som of xx and vj markis and at the fornemyt termys in yeris; and alsua furth foloand be yeris and termis of the xx lib. in perpetuall to be tau geifin and payit of the saidis myllis and myllingis in yeris and at termis befor vrytin be the forsaidis burgh to the Rud scruis at the Rud alter in Sante Androis Kyrk for the lyfis and the saullis of the commonitis of the said burgh of Pebillis, Jhon Dykison saul, his ayris, the said Androis saul and al cristin saullis, twa markis of wsswal mone of Scotland to the vphald of the forsaid Rud servis quhyl the forsaidis myllis and myllingis standis. And for this appontment settyn and to ferm lattyn to the said Andro of myllis and mylyngis as is befor vryttyn in yeris and termis and payn of sowmis for to be kepit in al thing and throw al thing, the said Andro at the vyl of God sal byg the myl and mylling vnder the Castelhyl wyth the supple of the commonitis of the said burgh, that is at thai sal lay the gret tymmer of ak in place wyth the stuf at is stanand in place wyth myl stanis and other bygin stanis, and ilk nychtbur tyl help hym half a day to the redin of the myl dam, and the laf the said Andro to mak suffyciand at may be tyl hym mensk and onour to the ton profit; and the saidis Andro vphaldand the forsaidis myllis and myllyngis at his gudly pouer quhyl he lefis. And our the saidis common myllis and myllingis to be haldin and had al and syndry, wyth al fredomis commoditis and

eisymentis to the saidis myllis and myllyngis pertenand or rychtwysly may perten, endurand the said Androis lyf dayis, as mallaris brugis on four half about or acht to brug lelely but fraud or gyll; alsua geif the said Andro worthis vanton and wnchersiabill in his common seruis, and vyl nocht mak gud seruis and to be obedient to the gud town, quhen he sa defattis he sal be correxit be the balyeis anys twys or thris, and geif he after defauttis at it be a seand caus and a gret faut to the ton he sal tyn his takis fra that furth at the balyeis and the commonitis vyll; and at he sal haf na seruandis in the myllis bot at sal be sworn tyl hym and at he sal stand for thair laute. The entre forsuth of the said Andro in our myllis and myllyngis beand at the next Vytsonday efter the dat of the makin of this writ. And we forsuth the said balyeis and commonitis, John Dykison forsaid and Rynyan, our ayris exsecutoris and assignays, al and syndry our forsaid myllis and myllingis befor nemyt with the pertynens endurand al the dayis and yeris of hys lyf, to the forsaid Andro, in maner form and effect as is befor vryttyn, agaynis al men and women sal warand and defend. Thir beand vytnes: Jhon Madur, ... Let of common mills.

13 *August* 1461.

[James of Loch, resigned two annualrents of eight shillings and four shillings respectively, payable out of his lands in the North-gait into the hands of a bailie who gave heritable state and possession to Mychell of Forest]. And quhat tym that the forsaid James of Loch, or his ayris or his exsecutoris or his assignayis, layis down apon a day in the town of Pebillis twelf nobillis of gwd and wswall mone of Scotland to the forsaid Mychell of Forest, or tyll his ayris or tyl his assignayis, the forsaid xij s. of anwell be yer sal reuert agayn to the forsaid James of Loch or tyl his ayris and tyl his assignais for euirmar fra the forsaid Mychell and his ayris and his executoris and his assignais. Befor the forwryttyn wytnes. Resignation of annuals.

5 *October* 1461.

The hed curt of the burgh of Pebillis, haldyn apon the Mononday, ... Head court.

That ilk day was chosyn balyeis: Jhon Madour and Jhon Dekysoun. Bailies.

That ilk day was chosyn flech pryssaris: Jhon Portus, Andro Glado, Thom of Gedes, Jhon Hyltsoun. Flesh pricers.

Ale tasters. That ilk day was chosyn aill kwnarris; Wchwn Merchosoun, Ade Wilsoun, Jhon Quhyt, Georg Robynsoun.

Rood service. That ilk day, comperyt [in] curt Sir Adam Fostar, kepar to the Rud seruis in that tym, and brocht wyth hym iii rekwnys in playn curt and askyt auard of that forsaid Rud land, and than the curt ryply avysyt- awardyt at that forsaid land was in the Rudis hand for faut of the annelis payin as is be for aproffyt, and than the suttis callyt Pat Kello efter lang lentht of tym bydin efter a proclam maid at the dur gaif that for dom.

16 *November* 1461.

Burgesses. That ilk day was maid burges James of Newtoun, and hys burges syluer geifin Meg Henrysoun in hys tocher for the luf of God.

Item, that ilk day was maid burges Rob Walch, and sal pay for his fredom x s.; and Wylyem of Pebillis has drawn hys land anes the cros for his nychtburhed and for the Kyngis ferm.

That ilk day was maid burges Thom Thomsoun, and sal pay for hys fredom xx s., the ta x s. at sancte Elymes and the tothir x s. at sancte Peteris mes callyt Lammes; and Georg Dauesoun is borch for hys payment and has drawin hys land anes the cros for hys nychtburhed and for the Kyngis ferm.

18 *January* 1461.

Seriands. That ilk day was chosyn seriandis Pat Henrisoun and Dic Vylsoun.

10 *May* 1462.

Custom. That ilk day has tane the custum at the balyais and the court, Wyl Dekysoun and Georgis of Robyson, for xiiij markis and xl d; plegis for thair payment makyn of thair soum: Thom Dekysoun elder and Thom of Gordoun.

St Michael's land. That ilk day, comperyt in court Thomas the Hay and askyt at the balyais and the nychtburis in the court gyf thai wald set tyl hym a land of Sant Mechelis lyand awest half the Water of Peblis, in few and erytage, lyand betwix the land of Dic Patonsonis on the est syde on the ta parte and the land of Thom Bechetis on the west syde on the other parte, and than the balyais, wyth consent and assent of the nychtburis and Sir John of Loch,

chapellan to the sayd scruis of Sant Mechel, as grantyt and consentyt that sayd land with the pertinens to the forsayd Thomas and hys ayris in few and erytage, payand yerly for that sayd land xiij s. and iiij d. to the huphald of Sant Mechellis scruis in Sant Androis Kyrk, and that the sayd Thomas sall lef that land as gud as he fyndis it gyf it sa happynis him to lef that sad land; plegis for that Rechart Cant and Rechart Wylson. Wytnes the hal court. St Michael's land.

And alsua, that ilke day, incontinent quhen the court was don John Dekysoun balya, with a certan of the nychtburis with hym, passit to the forsayde land, and thair was brocht the ymage of Sanct Mechell, and of that land was layd erd and stan in that ymagis hand, and that erd and stan was delyuerit to John Dekysoun balya, and than the sayd balya incontinent gert Rechart Wylsoun seriand, with the saydis erd and stane, gyf the forsayd Thomas the Hay possessioun and erytable state of the forsayd landis, with the pertinens, to hym and his ayris, sawand ilk mannis rycht; for the quhylkis land thai payand yerly xiii s. and iiij d. of anwelrent to the huphald of Sanct Mechelis scruis at his awter in Sanct Androis Kyrk. Wytnes thir beand: Rechart Cant, John Wilsoun, Sir John of Loche, Wyl Dekysoun, Dawy Forstayr, John Hardkneys, Dawy Brun, John Naper, Ad Naper, John Fressall, Reche Dekysoun, Edwart Robysoun, Ad of Newby, George Rwysoun, Patrick Henrisoun seriand, Rechart Wylsoun seriand, and Tom Yong bowrow clerk in that tym, with mony other beand in that tym present.

Item, that ilk day, comperyt in court Margret of Fylope and askyt the possessioun of a caldron, the quhylkis scho alegit was gevyn to her be Wylyam of Fylop her fadyr in his *legis pouste* and was haldyn fra her wrangvysly and agaynis the law, and sayd scho was in fyrst possessioun of that caldron bot at Thomas Dekysoun borowit fra her that caldron and he hecht to entyr the caldron agayn to her, the quhilkis he declaryt was as scho sayde; and than Sir Wilyem of Fylop ansuerd and sayd that he vnderstud that caldron was ayrschep of his brother sonis and alegit at scho auch nocht to haf the possessioun of that cauldron; and than Thomas Dekysoun declaryt in the court how the actioun stude and prayit the balyais to ger gyf award of the curt quether he auch to ger the madyn be possessit of the caldron or nocht; and than he and all partys remowyt, the court awardyt and ordanyt at Margret of Fylop auch to be cleide with the sayd caldron Claim for a caldron.

Claim for a caldron.

consederand the declaratioun be Thomas Dekysoun in the court; alsua it was set in the next court befor haldyn this court of peremtour gyf ony partis had clam to that caldron to cum this day with thair alegens or thair defensis anentis the sayd caldron, and than Sir Wylyam of Fillop requeryt the balyais at the sayd caldron, suld be present at the nest court, and than the balya chargit Margret of Fyllop to enter the caldron at the nest court, and thair to com borch John of Rowcastell for the entra of the sayd caldron.

21 *May* 1462.

Resignation of land in the Corsgat.

Item, it is to remember apon the Friday the xxi day of the moneth of May in the yer of Gode m° ccc° sexti and ij yeris, at George Dawyson has rasygnyt with erd and stane his tenement and land with the pertinans, liand in the Corsgat on the Northt Raw betwix the land of Mechel of Forestis on the west syd on the ta parte and the land of John of Ostis on the est syd of the tother part, in John Dekysonis hand than beand balya, and than incontinent the sayd balya with that sayd erde and stane gafe state and possessioun to master Thomas of Cokburn of x s. of anvel to be payt to hym his ayris or his assigneis of the sayd tenement and land with the pertinens be yer euir tyl the tym at the forsayd George his ayris or assigneis lay don and pay to the forsayd master Thomas his ayris or assygneis apon a day fra the son rysyng to the done passing within the burchg of Peblis auche pondis of vsuale mone of Scotland; and gyf it hapynnis the sayde tenement and land to be wastyt or dispoulyeide be ony maner of way at the forsayd master Thomas his ayris or assingneis may nocht, na can nocht, get the forsayde x s. of vsuale mone of Scotland of the saydis tenement and land, thai sall pass to the sayde Georgis akeris of land lyand betwix the town and the Quhyt Stane on the northt half of the gat rekand to the Wenlaw, and of tha akeris to be payt the forsayd x s. of anvell, gyf it hapynnis the forsayd tenement and land to falya; this beand fulfyllyt and done of the payment makyng of the forsayd som of viij lib. be the sayd George his ayris executoris and assingneis to the forsaydis master Thomas his ayris or assingneis, the sayd tenement and landis beand fre. Thir beand wytnes: John Dekysoun balya in this tym, Sir Wylyam Gybsoun, Thom Robysoun, Andro Folkart, Sir Adam Fylder, Patrik Dekysoun, John of Kenpont, Edwart Robysoun, Patrik Henrisoun seriand, and Thom Yong commoun clerk in that tym, with mony other. And alsua I the for-

sayd George grantis me tyl haf rasawyt fra the forsayd master Thomas, at the tym of the rade of Norham, ij lib., with the saymyn condecioun and poyntment in maner and form has is befor wrytin, befor Thom Yong wytnes. Resignation of land in the Corsgat.

24 *May* 1462.

That ilke day was made burges Robart Patonsoun, and sal pay for his fredom bot x s., becaus he was fundyn a burges sone; and for all ordinale chargis, the sayd Robart to kep in nychtburhed, Wylyam Dekysoun plegis hys land and gudis. Burgess.

14 *June* 1462.

That ilk day, Schyr John of Loche comperyt in court and humely besocht the balyeis and the nychtburis in the court at thai wald, with thair fawur, consent and gef hym lef to mak permutacione of Sant Mechelis seruis, as thai at ar tutouris thairto, with maister Thomas of Cokburn, and the sayd maister Thomas vphaldand and ger doand the sayde seruis of Sant Mechelis in Sant Androis Kyrk in siclyk maner and form as the sayd Schyr John makis and dois, and than the court fensyt about, ilke man be his awn vos gaf thair lectioun to the sayd Schyr John and gaf hym lef thairtyll, and than incontinent the sayd Schyr John resygnyt vp with a glufe in the balyais handis and the nychtburis the sayd seruis of Sant Mechalis and all the rycht he had thairofe, and than incontinent in the sayd court the forsayd balyais, John Madour and John Dekysoun, with consent and assent of all the nychtburis, with the said gluf yaf possessioun and ful power of that sayd seruis to maister Thomas of Cokburn quhill he lefis, with sic chargis and seruis to mak or ger be made, in lyk forme as the sayd Schyr John of Loch had it with, bath in quer at messis evynsang quhen tym is and quhen seruis is to be made, ales than he be, or quham he ordanys in his name to mak seruis be, in a neidful erand or besynes than to be assonyeit; and alsua the sayd master Thomas to vphald the sayd seruis, the quhilkis may be plesyng to God and Sant Mechel honor and worschep to the sayd master Thomas meide and meryt for the saulis of the fundouris of the sayd seruis and all cristyne saulis, in maner and form as is forsayd to do and kep; and gyf the sayd master Thomas fulfyllis nocht as is forspokyn he sal be promofyt and put out of the sayd seruis at the wyll of the balyais and the nychtburis gyf he makis caus be the sayd master Thomas awn promyt in court. Wytnes herof the hal court with parte of namys specifyit, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas St Michael's service.

St Michael's service.

Dekysoun, Georgis Dawysoun, Thom Dawysoun, Thom Robysoun, Wilyam Bulle, John Morchosoun, John Portus, Law Cade, Thom Doby, John Wilsoun, Will Smal, John Gybsoun, and Thom Yong, with mony other present in that tym in court.

11 *October* 1462.

Fights and disturbances.

It is to remember, the Monunday the xj day of the moneth of October in the yer of Gode m° ccc° sexti and ij yeris, that day the balyais, Georgis of Elphynstoun and John Dekysoun, with the nychtburis present in the tolbuth, as statut and ordanyt that gyfe thair be ony that fechtis or tulyais other be nych or day in distrowbyllyng of the town and for gret perell of ill doyng, quhatsumeuir party thai be that is fundyng in the wyt thai sal pay to the calsay makyn to the He Kyrk, but fawur, x s.; and gyf athyr partis be fundyn in the wyt ilke party sall pay v s.

Middings on calsay.

Item, that ilk day, thai haf statut and ordanit that na mydyngis ly on the calsay langer than viij days, vnder the payn of chet to the calsay dychtaris.

Burgess.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Cudbart Dekysoun, and his burges siluer gewyn hym fre for his wyffis sak; and plegis for al ordinal chargis of his nychtburhed Thom Dekysoun elder.

25 *October* 1462.

Almshouse.

It is to remember that apon the Monunday the xxv day of the moneth of October in the yer of God m° ccc° sexti and ij yeris, that Sir Wilyam Gybsoun has resyngnyt with erd and stane fra hym and his ayris his forland lyand in the west end of the buregh of Peblis on the North Raw, betwix the lande of Johne Carys on the est syde of the ta parte and a land of Sir Andro Lowris on the west syde of the tother parte, in Johne Dekysounis hand balya in that tym, and than the sayde balya gaf that erd and stan to John Wylson seriand in that tym, and chargit hym to gyf eritable stat and possessioun to Sir John Smayle in name of pur folk, thair to haf in that land harbery and beddyng has it may be of power to be vphaldyn and bere, in worschep of Almychty God and our Lady Sanct Mary, and for the heile of thair saullis of the fundaris and the guduaris of that plas, and for caus that

the sayd Sir John Smayl is gewyn the possessioun in the name of pur folk the chapellane that seruis in the chapele of our Lady sal be tutour and oursear of the sayd almushous quhatsumeuir he be; and incontinent the sayd John Wylsoun seriande layd the sayd erd and stane in Sir John Smayllis hand in name of pur pepylle and gaf hym of thair behaw eritabile stat and possessioun of the forsayd land for euirmar in maner and form as is forsayde, and that sayd forland beand fre of the anuel paying tyl our Lady and sal be tane and payt of the bakland and nocht of it. . . . . Almshouse.

The quhylk day was mad all tastaris: James of Newtown, Thome Tomsoun, Dic Connow for Wate Talyour, and John Naper for Rob Patonsoun. Ale tasters.

Item, that ilk day was mad flesche pryssaris: Wylle Rede for Rob Wauche, John of Stanus for Huchon Morchowsoun, James the Waiche for John Quhyt, and Adem Wylsoun for hymself. Flesh pricers.

Item, that ilk day the gud men of the quest statut and ordanyt quhat euir sche was that brak prys of brede or all thair sall be tane of her xij d. to the bying of a knok. Bread.

Item, thai statut and ordanyt at ilke man haf his dykkis mad be Mertymes sowfychand bath for front and hede rowm and sydwawdyk, vnder the payn of ij s. takyn to the knok. Boundary dikes.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt quhat euir thai be that takis stubyll of any land, the hous at it cummes to thar sal be tane of it vj d. to the knok. Stubble.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that na strakis gang in the merkat bot rownde rows and nocht squhar. Straiks.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that quhatsumeuir thai be that fechtis flyttis or tulyeis, in distrowbillyng of the toun, quha sa be fundyn in the faut sal pay ij s. to the knok bying. Fighters and disturbers.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that na commoun langand the toun, na yyt seruis of haly kyrk, be nother set na gewyn in perpetuale bot with the dousan. Commons.

Item, thai haf statut and ordanyt that quhat euir he be that byis, other within the buregh or outtoutht, skynnis, woll, hyddis, or quhyt clath fra vnfremen of pak sall be tane vj d. to the knok. Buying fro Unfreemen

Item, that ilk day the balyais and the nychtburis has gewyn to Dic Bulle

Annual Tolbooth.

our the xij d. of the anwel that the sayd Dic Bule was awand of his yard lyand nest auestal the land of Georgis Robysoun for caus that the sayd Dic Bulle sal gef a aktre tyll be a summer tyl the kyll and that he sal benk the tolbuth about for that anwel, and the sayd anwel sal be fre to the sayd Dic Bulle and his ayris.

8 *November* 1462.

Cross Kirk.

That ilk day, the court saydly avysyt and fenssyt about, ilke man be his awin voce, sawand viij persons, decretyt and gaf thair lectioun that frer Thomas Lorymar suld serue in the Crois Kyrk tyl Beltane of his guid beryng, and tyl haf his lewyng at the wyl of the balyais and the commonis, gefyng of the gudis of the sayd place.

22 *November* 1462.

The court of the burchg of Pebillis, haldyn the Monunday, ...

That ilk day made burges James of Loche, and gewyn his fredom quhit for his fee of his seriandschep and nentis the poyndyng of quhitis and ladis of skinnis or hidis or brekyn of pryssis, for scotyng wakyn and wardyng his hand and his land.

7 *December* 1462.

Homyldon.

The court of the burchg of Pebillis halding apon the Tysday, ...

Item, that ilk day the balyais and the nychtburis has ressavyt vp the tak that Thom the Hay had of Homyldon as he that mad thaim request tharfor, and he for that caus and for the termes bygan sal pay xl s. with gud wyll to thaim, and of the sayd iij markis he sal pay and outrede the twa mark that John the Waiche is vnder cont of to the last chekker, and the thyrd mark he sal don and pay to the nest chekker quhen he is chargyt. Wytnes the court.

17 *January* 1462.

Kirk of Stobo.

Item, the quhilk day quhen the court rass the sayd balyais passyt with Schyr Andro Yong tyl his land lyand in the west end of the burchg of Pebillis on the Northe Raw, . . . and of that land the sayde Schyr Andro Yong has rasingnyt with a penny fyf schyllyng of vsual mone of Scotland of anwel be yer, [in the hands of a bailie who charged a seriand to give possession]

to our Lady seruis to be done and in perpetuale in Sant Mongyoys kyrk of Stobo, at our Lady auter in the sayde kyrk, efter the maner and form of the charter thairapon maid; and than incontinent the sayd James of Loche seriand layd the sayd penny in a ymage hand of our Lady Sant Mary payntyt on papar and gaf her thar and tyl her seruis perpetuale has is forsayd erytable stat and possessioun of the forsayde fyfe schillyngis of the forsayd land. . . . . Kirk of Stobo.

15 *March* 1462.

It is to remember that, apoun the Tysday the xv day of the moneth Marche in the yer of Gode m° cccc° lx° ij yeres, was made burges John Scot, and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; for his scotyng lottyng wakyng and wardyng, plegis his hand and his gudis. Burgess.

16 *March* 1462.

Was made burges Rechert of Geddes and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; and for scotyng lottyng wakyn and wardyng his hand and his gudis. Burgess.

17 *March* 1462.

Was made burges Wyllem Gybsoun, and has payt for his fredom a bow and a schefe to the town; and for scotyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn his hand his gudis. Burgess.

23 *July* 1463.

The quhilk day has takyng the customis Wylyam Dekyson and George Robysoun at the balyhais and the nychtburis, for xiiij markis and xl d.; plegis for thair payment makyn Mechel of Forest and Georgis Dawysoun. Customs.

28 *January* 1463.

Thomas of Stanus, with erde and stane, has rasingnet his land lyand in the burchg of Pebillis on the Southt Raw in the west ende of the sayde burchg [in the hands of a bailie who delivered the] erde and stane to Patrik Henrisoun seriand and chargit him to gyf sessyng agayn to the sayde Thomas of Stanus and to Jonet his wyf. . . . . Resignation of land.

Item, incontinent the sayd Thomas has rasingnet and gewin to the sayd Jonet gefe he dessessis befor her and na ayris gottyn betwix thaim, to joys and brak thir gudis als wel as land, stedy, bellys, hammaris, and al other Blacksmiths goods.

Blacksmiths goods.

thyngis that pertenis to the craft of blak smyth, with al other gudis and al thair gudis, tyl her propyr vssis at her awn will tyl dispon, sa thair cum nay ayris of tham to vys tham.

26 *February* 1463.

Dowssane.

Item, that ilke day was chossyng the dowssane for the reformatioun of the town: George of Elphynstoun, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas Dekysoun elder, John Dekysoun, John Madour, Mechel of Foreste, Will Smayll, Wylyam Dekysoun, Georg Dawysoun, [+ Wylyam Bulle,[1]] John Blaklok, Rechart Cant, John Gybsoun, Thomas Jamsoun, John Morchawsoun, + Thomas Robysoun, Andro Folkart, + Wyl of Balcaske, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyll, + Rob Jamsoun.

Pace of bread.

Item, the quhilk day the gude men of the queste statut and ordanit that quhat wyf brak the pass was gewyn efter the price of quheit be the balyais of ilke miche to be tane twa laffis and delt for the fyrst faut; item, for the nest faut of ilke miche iiij laffis to be delt for the seconde faut; item, for the thryde faut of ilk miche wantand of the wecht of the lafe vj laffis to be tane and delt to pur fouk; and quhat scho that is fundyng with thir fautis iij sall be clossyt of bakkyng yer and day; and rychtsua of all browyng that brekis price.

9 *April* 1464.

Court.

The heide court efter Pasche of the burchg of Pebillis, haldyn be the balyais of that ilk, Georg of Elphynstoun, John Dekysoun and Wylyam Dekysoun, the Monunday, ...

The quest.

The gud men of the quest:—Thomas Dekyson elder, Wille Bulle, Georg Dawysoun, Law Cade, James of the Hoste, John Husscher, John Morchosoun, Wyll Smayl, John Portus, John Gybsoun, Wyll Dekysoun, Thomas of Gordoun, Dic Smyth, Thomas Robysoun, John of Wodhaw, Lowre Homlyng, Thomas Fosster.

Buying goods previous to market.

The quest statut and ordanit that nane suld pass outoutht the yettis of the town, nother to by hiddis, skynis, futfellis na lamskynis, na yit other gudis that com to be sold at cors and merkat, nother apon merkat day na other dayis, vnder the payn of viij s. paying, but gyf the cass be thai met sic gudis of sudante in tym of gangyng to the kyrk or another neidful erand.

[1] In the original record this name is delete.

23 *April* 1464.

Item, that ilk day was gewyn the fredom to Peronele, and scho sall pay thairfor xxx s., but fawour, and for all ordinalle charge kepyng in nychtburhede scho has drawyng her land liand in the Corsgat. Burgess. Peronell.

Item, that ilk day has takyn the custum at the balyais and the court Wyllem Dekysoun and George Robysoun, and sall pay thairfor xv markis and a half mark, and plegis for thair payment makyn Thom Dekysoun elder and John Madour. Customers.

10 *June* 1464.

The court of the burgch of Peblis, haldyn apon the Mononday, ...

Item, that ilke day was made burges Thomas Henrisoun the myller, and sal pay for his fredom xxx s., and that is gewyn to the makyn of the buttis; ande for al other ordinal charges to kep in nychtburhede and for the paying of the kyngis ferm be yer, drawyn in plegis the land of Georg Dawysounis anorththalf the cors. Burgess. Buttis.

1 *October* 1464.

Item, that ilk day comperyt in court frer Wilyam Gybsoun master of the Crois Kyrk and forspekar with hym Wilyam of Peblis, and than Wilyam and frere Wilyam askyt, for the reueraus of God and our Lady and the heile of thair saullis, at the balyais and the nychtburis that thai wald gyf a pess of land vnder the est end of the Castelhill on the north syde betwix the gat and the hyll, at the sayde frere Wylyam with the help and suple of cristyn pepyll mycht byge apon it a Hous of Almus for tyl harbry in it pur foulk for saull heile; and than the balyais and the nychtburis grantyt to gyf that land, and quhen the court rass the balyais with the nychtburis, incontinent, past to the forsayd land, and thair Wylyam Dekysoun balya tuk vp erd and stane and layde it into frer Wylyam Gybsonis hand and gaf to hym eritable state and possessioun of the forsayd land in the name of pur foulk has procuratour to tham in the caus. Befor thir witnes: the forsayd balyais, George of Elphynstoun, Wyllyam Dekysoun; Will Bulle, Dic Bulle, George Dawysoun, Wyl Smayl, Rynyan of Peblis, master Archbald Dekysoun, Sir Archbald Fosstar, Wil of Balcasky, James of Loch and Thom Yong, with mony other present in that tym. House of Alms.

Schoolmaster. The quhylk day, the balyais ande the nychtburis has grantyt and ordanyt, endurand thair wyllis, to Schyr Wylyam Blaklok to haf the scule and to be sculmaster and tyll teche the chylder, and to tak the prophet of the scoule has efferis of the chylder at he techis.

15 *October* 1464.

Ale tasters. Item, that ilk day was made all tastaris: John Yong, Lowre Gybsoun, Wylle Gybsoun and Thom Henrisoun of Monunmyl.

Flesh pricers. Item, that ilk day was made flesche pryssaris: John Scot, Wille Smayl, James of Newtoun and Thome Salter.

10 *December* 1464.

The court of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn apon the Monunday, ...

Quhit Auche under Glentres. Item, the quhilk day the balyais and the nychtburis has set and to ferm lattyn to thair luffyt frend Thomas Ledbetter the Quhyt Auche vnder Glentres, dorand thair willis, for xx s. of male be yer, to be payt at twa termes in the yer, the entra of payment makyn be the sayd Thomas at the nest Wytsonday x s., and sa furth term be term quhilk the sayd Thomas joyssis the sayd auche of yeris and termes; plegis for his payment makyn Patrik Henrisoun.

Tulya. Item, that ilk day comperyt in court Thomas Dekysoun of Ormstoun and Alexander of Horsbruk of that ilk, and than in playn court the sayde Thomas and Alexander swor apon a buk the gret athe out that Thomas Robysoun burges of Peblis, and Eby his wyf, had nother art na part, rede na consell, bot sar agaynnis thair wyllis, of the sekyn that the sayde Thomas and Alexander made of Dic Kuk and Gybbown of Argyll and thair company for the tulya hapynnit betwix thaim and Dic Wylsoun on Sant Androis day at evyn, and the sekyn at the sayd Thomas and Alexander made of the sayd childer was for na ill doyng to thaim bot tyl haf present thaim to the officiaris of the toun. Wytnes the hall court.

Burgesses. Item, the quhilk day was made burges Thomas the Waiche, and sal pay for his fredom xxx s. to the nest chekker; and for scottyng, all ordinale chargis, to kep in nychtburhed and for the kyngis ferm and to cum of indwellyng in the town at the nest Wysounday, plegis Wylyam of Dennys and his land.

Item, the quhilk day was mad burges Dawy Martyn, and sal pay for his

fredom x s. at Beltane; and for all ordinale chargis, kepyn in nychtburhede and the kyngis ferm, plegis Rob of Brownsoun and his land. Burgesses.

Item, the quhilk day was made burges John Wylsoun, and his burges siluer gewyn for the luf of God tyl John Clerk his eld fader; and for all ordinale chargis, kepyn of nychtburhede and paying of the kyngis ferm, plegis John Clerk and his land.

Item, the quhilk day was made burges John Thomsoun, webster, and sal pay for his fredom x s. at Beltan or a rud of causay.

6 *May* 1465.

It is to remember that, apon the Mononday the vj day of the moneth of May the yeir of our [Lord] m cccc lx and v yeiris, the quhylk was the curt day, the said balyeis and the commonyteis has in playn curt set four and fourty fut of lentht and xvj fut of breid of our land, lyand at the est end wnder the Castell heill and apon the swtht syde, for ij s. of annuell be yeir and the buro maill, and quhen the balyeis and the curt ras Georg of Elphynstoun forsaid balye past to the said land and deliuerit erd and stan to James of Loch seriand of the said land and chargit hym geif heritabill stat and possessioun to James the Wache and his ayris, and than incontenent the said seriand laid the erd and stane in the hand of James the Wacht and gaif hym and his ayris eritabill stat and poscescioun of the said landis, payand ij s. of annuell be yeir and the buro maill as is forsayd, safand ilk mannis rycht; and than furtht wytht the said James the Wach passit tyl hys land on the swtht syd of the gat and of that land he rasingnit in the said balyeis hand wyth a d. ij s. of annuell be yeir quhill the forsaid land be bygit and strenyeabill for the said ij s. of annuell be yer. Befor thir wytnes: Thom Dykysoun, Jhon Dykysoun, Wyllem Bulle, Georg Collane, Thom Doby, Andro Mylner, Thom Foster, Jhon of Stanus, Rob Smaill, Wyll Dykysoun, Stewyn Derlyn, Thom Foster, Thom Henrysoun, James of the Ost, Sym of Loch, Thom of Loch, Georg Robynsoun, Rychart Dyksoun, Thom Yong and Wyll of Balcasky, witht othir dyuers. Land at Castlehill.

30 *September* 1465.

That ilk day was chosyn balyeis: Georg of Elphynstoun, Jhon Dekysoun and Wylyem Dykysoun for this yeir. Bailies.

14 *October* 1465.

Flesh pricers. That ilk day was maid flesch prysaris: John Yong, Lowre Gybsoun, Wyl Gybsoun and Thom Henrysoun.

Ale tasters. That ilk day was maid aill tasteris: Thom the Wache, Wyl of Lyntoun, Daue Martyn and Jhon Thomsoun.

2 *February* 1465.

Bryg masters. That ilk day was chosyn bryg masteris: Thomas of Cokbwrn, Sir Rychtart Prwde, Sir Wylyam Smayll, Jhon Madwr, Dic Cant, James Gybsoun, and Vyl of Balcasky.

That ilk day the nychtburis consentyt that quhat tyme that the bryg-masteris chargyt thaim to ewm to wyrk to the bryg thai sal ewm, vnder the payn of a mannys dawerk and that is vj d.

Quarter-masters. Item, the town has consentyt that it sal be quarterit in fowr quarteris, and thir sal be quarter masteris:—Thomas Dekysoun, Mychel of Forest and Jhon Dawesoun in the Hee Gat; Sym Towne and James of Mura in the Cors Gat; in the Brygat, Jhon Scot; item in the Northt Gat, Andro Fostare and Vyl Bulle; beyond the Watter, Georg Robynson and Vyl Dykyson.

14 *April* 1466.

Burgess. That ilk day was maid burges Sandris Lokart, and hys fredom geiff to Sir Walter Scot, for scottyn, lottyn, wakyn and wardyn and for the kyngis ferm, plege Georg Davesonis land in the Northt Gayt.

6 *October* 1466.

Bailies. That ilk day was chosyn balyeis: Thom Dykysoun and Mychel of Forest.

Flesh pricers. That ilk day was maid flesch pryssaris: Sandris Lokart, Thomas the Wach, Dawe Martyn, Wyl of Lyntoun.

Ale tasters. Thir ar the aill tastaris: Rob of Wyghem, Rob Persoun, Rob Yong, Jhon Androsoun.

The quhilk day, the inquest ordanyt that qwhatsumeuir thai war that

brak red fesch to sell the schyn to be brokin wyth the samyn fysch; item, quhatsumeuir he be that brekis beif that the hochis brokin wyth the samyn. Fish, beif.

Item, that na burges be maid bot in playn curt. Making of burgesses.

19 *January* 1466.

The heid cwrt of the burg of Pebillis, ...

Thir ar the inquest:—Jhon Lilla, James Madwr, Jhon Dykysoun, Wyl Dykysoun, Wyll Bulle, Dic Cant, Jhon Mwrchosoun, Andro Folcart, Sandris Lokart, Georg Dawesoun, Patoun of Tempyll, Robyn Fostar, James of Mura, Thomas Doby, Thomas of Gordoun, Andro Mylner, Dic Smyth. Inquest.

The quhilk day, the inquest fand that master Jhon Doby swld haiff all the skwll, owttakand thai that leyryt to syng, sic lik as the nychtburis permytit hym for a yeir, and qwha that pwt ony barnys tyll hym swld pay hym a yerris pament. Schoolmaster.

The quhilk day, the cwrt ordanyt that geif that the seriandis deid nocht thair office that the balyeis wyth the counsell swld depryff tham at thair awn wyll. Seriandis.

The quhilk day, the inquest fand that the lard of Henrystoun swld get a letter of the byschopis of an inquesycioun of the schapell. Lard of Henrystoun.

6 *April* 1467.

The heid cwrt of the burch of Pebillis, haldyn be the balyeis Thomas Dykysoun and Mychell of Forest, apon the Mononday, ... Court.

Thir ar the inquest:—Jhon Lilla, Wylyem Bulle, Jhon Haw, Georg Dawesoun, Thomas the Wach, Lowre Hamlyn, Thomas of Gordoun, Law Cade, Jhon of Wodhaw, Andro Mylner, The lard of Henrystoun, Sym of Locht, Thom of Snawdoun, Thom Robynsoun, Andro Folcart, Jhon Blaclok, Thomas Doby. Inquest.

20 *April* 1467.

The cwrt of the burcht of Pebillis, haldyn be Thomas Dykysoun and Mychell of Forest balyeis in that tym, apon the Monday, ...

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis has set the cwstwm to Wylyem Dykysoun and Georg Robynsoun for x lib., borch for Georg Robyn- Custom.

Custom. soun John Madwr and for Wylyem Dykysoun borch Thom of Gordoun; wytnes to Jhon Madour that Georg Robynsoun drew his land in plege, Wyl Smayl, Thom of Loch and Sym of Loch.

7 *October* 1467.

Head court. The heid cwrt of the burch of Pebillis next efter Mychelmes, haldyn be the balyeis Georg of Elphynstoun and Thomas Dykysoun balyeis of that ilk.

Bailies. The quhylk day, the forsaid balyeis was chosyn.

Flesh pricers. The quhilk day, was chosyn flesch pryssaris: Andro Cade for Harbart of Twede, Jhon Andersoun, Rob Persoun, Rob of Wyghem.

Ale tasters. Ayll tastarris: Jhon Naper for Jhon of Dronys, Rob Yong, Thomas Gybsoun for Georg Robynsoun the custumar, Rob Person for Stewyn Derliu.

18 *January* 1467.

Land at Kwnye. The inquest fand that the land lyand apon the Kwnye next a swtht half Sir Jhon Hyltsonys land on the ta part and the Bryg Gat apon the tother part acht yerly to the Rwd lycht a pwnd of wax.

Court, dwsan. The curt auysyt and fensyt abowt, ilk a man be hys awn woce, anens the condoscioun maid to Wylyem of Cokbwrn be Andro Folcart and Georg Daveson, that thai wald byd at the consell of the dwsan of the town.

Gat dychtyn. The quhilk day, the nychtburis gayff to John Naper the dychtyn of the gat fra Wytsonday fwrtht indwrand thar vyllis.

28 *February* 1467.

Tulye on Fasfrin-even. Item, it is to remember that anens the tolye that was maid apon Fastryn-ewyn betuex Rob Dykyson on the ta part and Thomas Haw on the tother part, the balye Georg of Elphynston has tan lawboris of bath the partis, that is to say, Rob Dykyson fand law borcht for hym Jhon Dykyson that Thomas Haw swld be schathtles of hym and hys party bot as law wyll; wytnes, the balye Thomas Dykyson, Georg Daveson, John Blaloc, James of Govan, and Rob Smayll; item, Thomas Haw fand law borch for hym Georg Collan that Rob Dykyson suld be schathtles of hym and hys party bot as law wyl; wytnes, the person of Glenqwhym, master Wylyem of Twedy and Sir Robert Twnno.

9 *May* 1468.

The hed curt of the burch of Pebillis, ... Court.

The quhylk day, the inquest ordanyt that the perysch clerk suld tak of hors, chep, or nowt, that war fwndyn in the kyrk yard iiij d. for ilk tym that he fendis tham thar, and swyn to be slayne. Perysch clerk.

The quhylk day, the hayll cwrt consentyt that quhat tym that thai be warnyt to cwm to werk at the bryg that he that is warnyt and cumys nocht sal pay for that day iiij d. furtht with, and this nocht to be forgeifin. Brig-work.

24 *May* 1468.

Item, it is to remember, the Tyisday the xxiiij day of the monethi of May the yeir of our Lord m cccc lx and acht yeiris, the quhylk day the balyeis of the burgh of Pebillis, Georg of Elphynstoun and Thomas Dykysoun, wyth the dussan, has set the custwm of the said burgh for x pwndis for a yeir to Wylyem Dykysoun and Georg Robynsoun; plege for the said Wylyem Dykysoun, Thom Dykysoun of the Smethtfeld be hys hand; and plege for the sayd Georg, Andro Folcart be hys hand. Custom.

The quhylk day, was chosyn sewlmaster for a yeir Lowrans Jonson, and the balyeis promytit tyl hym that he swld be sythit of all nychtburis sonys sic lyk as wont and ws is. Sewlmaster.

20 *June* 1468.

The quhilk day, Dic Twno, Georg Gybson, and Vat Balye com in the balyeis wyll, and ilk an of tham other is borch, for the strwbillans of the town. Strwbillans.

3 *October* 1468.

The quhilk day, the said balyeis oblyssis tham that quhatswmeuir he be that fallis in an vnlaw that that vnlaw sal be geifin to the bryg, bwt fawnar, for that yeir, and this sal be don bwt fawur. Unlaws to be given to Brig.

Item, it is ordanyt the samyn day for the kepyn of the town for the pestelansche, that the iiij portis of the town sal be closyt and kepit daly be a man that sal stand for the kepyn of ilk yet, vnder the payn of viij s. to be tan of hym that swld keip the yet that day of that quarter quhar that euir it fallis, and tha viij s. to be geifin to the bryg. Pestilence. Ports to be closed.

Ports. Item, it is ordanyt that the yettis sal be kepyt ilk day fra this day fwrtht, and that ilk yet sal be closyt and maid suffyscient within viij dayis, vnder the payn of viij s. to be tan, bwt fawur, and that to be geifin to the byrg.

Edinburgh. Item, it is ordaynit that na man sal gange tyl Edynburcht, na that na man sall bryng, na man na barn, na other gwdis fra Edynburg, vnder the payn of banyssyn of the town for a yeir, bot be the leif of thir vj men.

Side dykes. Item, it is ordanyt be the balyeis, and with consent of the commwnite and the sex men, that Mychell of Forest sal mak wp hys syd dyk fra his bern to the yet wythin viij dayis fra thin furtht, and it be vnmaid to be tan ilk day viij s., and that swa of ony man that has nocht closyt hym self quhar euir thai be.

Council. Thir ar the sex men that is ordanyt to geif the balyeis consell :—Wylyem of Pebillis, Jhon Madur, Patton of Tempyll, Wyl Smayll, Jhon Blaklo, and Jhon Murchosoun.

Quarter-masters. Pest. Item, it is ordanyt that na man sall herbry na rasaff na man bot wyth the leif of the quarter masteris, and that quarter quhar that the pest cumys the quarter masteris to be awyssyt and consallyt wyth the vj men.

Flesh pricers. Thir was flesch prysarris of that yeir :—Jhon of Dronys, Georg Robynson custumar, Stewyn Derlyn.

Ale tasters. Thir was the ayl tastaris :—Thom Gybson for Gylbert Vylyemson, Andro Cade for Thom Dykison, Thom of Stanus.

5 *September* 1468.

Cow ford. The quhylk day, yt was ordanyt that ilk nychtbur swld lay vj laid of stanis at the Kow fwrd, and that na man sal leid na clay fra thin, vnder the payn of viij s.

2 *November* 1468.

Town measures. Item, Wyl Dykyson and George Robynson, custumaris, haid of the townys ix firlottis and iij pekis, the quhylkis thai sal delyuer at thair wscha of the termys or ellis for ilk firlot at wantis ij s. and vi d. for the pekis.

16 *January* 1468.

The inquest and the nychtburis ordanyt that quhat nychtbur that

rasettis playaris at the dyss, other hasart or rafell, in hys hows, other nycht or day, thar sal be tan of that man that aw the hows v s., but fawar, to the bryg werk. Players at the dice.

10 *April* 1469.

The quhilk day, with consent and assent of the balyais and the court and the hall commonite, thair present, has chossyng and maid borow clerkis Thomas Yong and Wilyam Smayll coniunctly and seuerally, bath as ane and ane as bath, dorand the townys wyll. Burgh clerks.

25 *April* 1469.

The quhilk day, has tane the custum John Dawyson for xvij markis of the vsual mone of Scotlande, and this said som to be payt at four termys in the yer, be evyn portionis; and for the sayd som paying at the sayd termys, is oblist be thair handis and cum dettouris coniunctly and seuerally, bath as ane and ane as bath, Robert Fosster and Robert Smayl, and gyf ony of the forsayd termys beis vnpayt efter the term auch days gyf it be askyt the dettouris sal reman in the tolbuth quhill the term be payt. Tack of customs.

31 *July* 1469.

It is to remember, the quhylk day in court abown wrytyn, and haldyn the Monunday the last day of the moneth of Julij the yer of God j^{m} cccc^{o} sexti and ix yeris, us balyais in the tym in the sayd court present and in jugment sytande John Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, and the commonyteis of our burchg of Peblis, with consent and assent of the sayd commoniteis, we haif set and to ferm lattyn and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattyis tyl our luffyt burgessis Thomas Yong, Wylyam Smayl, Thomas Robyson and Thomas Glado, all and hayl our landis with the pertinentis lyand and beand betwix the watteris on the south half of our sayd burchg, quhylkis is callit our Common Hauch, for all the termys of nyntene yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for a certane som of vsual mone of Scotland to us thankfully beforhand payit be the saidis Thomas, Wilyam, Thomas and Thomas, and haldis us thairof wel payit content and assythit; and of the forsayd som of mone we balyais and commonyteis gaf to the bryg wark of Twed four pondis in almus; and the Let of common haugh.

Let of common haugh.

saydis Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas, thair ayris executouris and assingeis, of the forsaid certan som of vsual mone thairof, dischargis quhytclemys for euirmar be this our present wryt in our common buk. To be haldyn and had, all and syndry oure forsayd landis of our Common Hauch, with all fredomeis commoditeis and esiementis to the sayd land pertenand or rychtwysly may perten, endurand the sayd nynten yeris, as malar broukis on four half about or auch to brouk lelely but fraud or gyll, the entre forsuth of the saydis Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas, in our landis of our Common Hauch, beand at the nest Mertymes efter the dat of the makyn of this wryt. And we forsuth the forsaydis balyais and commonyteis our ayris executouris assingneis, all and syndry our forsayd landis befor nemyt with the pertinentis, endurand all the termys of the forwrytyn nynten yeris, to the forsayd Thomas, Wylyam, Thomas and Thomas thair ayris executouris and assingneis, in maner form and effect as is befor wrytin, agaynes all men and women sall warrand quhytclem and defend. Wynes the hall court, with part of namys specyfiit: George of Elphynstoun, Wylyam of Peblis, Thomas Dekysoun elder, Mechel of Foreste, John Lyllay elder, George Dawysoun, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyll, Sandris Lokart, Gylbart Wylyamsoun, Robert Forster, Maister John the Waich, James of Loch seriand, Patrik Henrisoun seriand, Wyll Bulle, Rechart Cant, John Blaklok, and Robert Patonsoun that day suttur in court with mony other thair present.

Let of Common Struther.

The quhilk day, in court nest forsayd, the sayd balyais and nychtburis has set and to ferm lattyn to thar welbeluffyt nychtbur Sanderis Lokart and tyl hys ayris executouris and assingneis the Commoun Stroudyr fra the gat don, for all the termys of xix yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xxxv s. of mal of the vsual mone of Scotland yerly, to be payt at twa vsual termys of the yer be evyn portiouns, that is to [say] at Mertymes in wynter and Wytsonday in summyr, to the balyais and the nychtburis or to thair common purs; and attour the sayd Sanderis Lokart sall gyf and pay in hand v yeris mall to the bryg ware of Tweed to [be] disponyt at the balyais and the nychburis, the sayd v yeris bygan than enterand to payment termly in yeris as is forsayd. Borcht and dettouris, Thomas Dekysoun elder his hand and his gudis, and John Haw and his landis and his gudis, and the sayd Sanderis oblist to freth thaim be his hand landis and gudis. The entra forsuth of the sayd Sanderis in the sayd landis of the

Common Stroudyr beand at the nest Mertymes efter the makyn of this wryt. Wynes the hal court. Common Struther.

Item, that ilk day in court the sayd balyais and nychtburis, in maner and form of yeris and payment makyn, has set Dawlethow to James Dawyson and to Wat Blaklok for xix yeris, for x s. of mal of the vsual mone of Scotland, to be payt at twa termys of the yer Mertymes and Wytsonday, and sal pay in hand fyf yeris mal in lik maner and form as Sanderis Lokart pays. Plegis his land and his gudis for James Dawyson, his fader Georg Dawyson; plegis for Wat Blaklok, Wylyam Smayl his landis and his gudis. The entra at the nest Mertymes. Wytnes the hal court. Let of Dawlethow.

15 *January* 1469.

The hed court efter Yol of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn, ...

The quhilk day, we the sayd balyais and nychtburis in court present tyl haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt settis and to ferm lattis, to our luffit burges Thomas Smyth our ald myldamsted with the pertinentis lyand at the northt sid of Dawlethow, and merchand with the landis of our Ladis on the est sid of the ta parte and the land of Peronellis on the west sid of the tother parte, for all the termys of xix yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xij d. of mal be yer of vsual mone of Scotland to be payt to commoun purs and to the commonite; and the sayd Thomas sal pay fyf yeris mal befor hand, that is to say v s., and than furth yer be yer xij d. quhill the sayd xix yeris be gan; and we the forsayd balyais and commoniteis our sayd myldamsted befor nemit with the pertinentis endurand all the xix yeris to the forsayd Thomas hys ayris executouris or assingneis sall warand and defend. Wytnes the hall court. Let of old milldam stead.

30 *April* 1470.

The quhylk day, has tan the custum for a yer Gylbart Wylyamson, and sal pay for the sayd custum xviij markis and viij s. Borch and detturis for the sayd som paying, and oblyst be thair handis tham self and thair gudis, George Dawysoun for the tan half and Sanderis Lokart for the tother half, at days and termys has hus and wont was of payment makyn. Customs.

14 *May* 1470.

Freedom, Besse Wodman.

Item, that ilk day was gewyn the fredom to Besse Wodman be the requst of frer John Blenk master of the Croyskyrk.

Burgess, brigwork.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges John Lawsoun, and sal pay for hys fredom x s. to the bryg wark of Twed; for scotyn lottyn wakyn and wardyn and the kyngis ferm paying, his awin land.

19 *May* 1470.

Let of Dallethow.

It is to remember, the Setterday the xix day of the moneth of May the yer of God m° cccc° sexti and x° yeris, us, balyais in the tym Thomas Dekysoun and Wilyam Dekysoun, and the nychtburis of the burchg of Peblis, with consent and assent of the sayd nychtburis, we haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis, tyl our luffit burgessis Wilyam Smayl and John Morchowsoun, all and hall our landis with the pertinentis of Dallethow fra the gat don, for all the termys of nynten yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for viij s. and iiij d. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to our common prophet and tyl our common purss, for to be payit at twa vsual termys of the yer be evyn portionis, that is to say iiij s. and ij d. at Wytsonday in summyr and iiij s. and ij d. at Mertymes in wynttyr, and sa furth terme be terme in yer and yeris quhyll the sayd xix yeris be out ron and gan; and the sayd Wilyam and John sal pay and gyf in hand of thair forsayd termys of xix yeris fyf yeris mallis beforhand to the town, and quhen tha fyf yeris be fullely and contynualy by passyt than the saydis Wilyam and John sal enter and pay be evyn portyonis of termys has is befor nemyt on to thair termys be fulfyllit of the forsayd xix yeris . . . .

27 *May* 1470.

Burgess, Venlaw.

The quhylk day, be the balyais and the nychtburis, was mad burges Sym Patonson, and sal mak for his fredom the dyk of the Wenlaw fra the tentour ryk doun to the est nowk.

5 *June* 1470.

Item, on the fyft day of the moneth of Junii the yer abown wrytin, was

mad burgessis Wylyam of Stanus and John of Kenpon yonger, and sal mak for thair fredom the dyk of the Wenlaw abon the gat fra the nowk aboun Dawletho to the yet. Burgesses. Venlaw.

Item, the day abone wrytin, was mad burges Wyl Carvour that has spousyt Thomas Madour dochter, and sal pay for his fredom x s. and v s. payit in treis to the yettis of the Wenlaw and in his warkmanschep other v s. awand ; plegis George Dawysoun and his land.

19 *May* 1470.

Us, balyais in the tym, Thomas Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, with consent and assent of the nychburis, we haf set and to ferm lattyn, and be this our present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis, to our luffit burgessis Wilyam Smayl, Sanderis Lokart, Thomas Haw, Thomas Jamson and Adam of Newby the Common Strowder fra the gat done, for all the termys of xix yeris nest and to gydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for xxx s. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to our common prophet and tyll our common purs ; . . . . and the sayd Wilyam Sanderis, Thomas, Thomas, and Adam sal pay and gyf in hand of formal of thir forsayd termys of xix yeris fyf yeris mal befor hand to the town to the bryg wark of Twed. . . . . Let of Common Struther.

23 *July* 1470.

The quhilk day, John Clatter com in court and askyt for the luf of God at the balyais lawborowis of Mechel of Forest and his party, and than the balyais askyt at the sayd John gyf he doutyt his skath, and than the sayd John suor apon a buk the gret ayth that he doutyt his skath, and than the balyais chargyt John of Wodhaw seriand to tak lawborous of the sayd Mechel and his party, and than the said Mechel com law borch for hym self and al that he mycht let, but fraud or gyl, his hand and his gudis, that the sayd John Skatter suld be skathlas of hym and thai that he mycht let, vnder payn of law. Wytnes : George of Elphynstoun, George Dawysoun, and all the curt. Lawburrows.

15 *October* 1470.

Item, that day the quest ordanyt and statut that na swyn suld be haldyn Swine.

Swine. out band na fund in na manys skath, vnder payn of slachter quareuir thai may be ourtan.

Geese. Item, rych sua of ges.

After Michaelmas 1470.

Doussan. The last chossyng dowssan efter Mechelmes the yer lx°x°:—Georg of Elphynston, Wylyam of Peblis, John Madour, John Dekyson, Mechel of Forest, John Morchoson, Georg Dawyson, Rechart Cant, Wyll Smayll, Andro Folkart, John Haw, Patrik of Tempyl, James of Murlasone, Thomas Jamson, John Gybson, Hartbart of Twede, John Huscher, Rob Fosster, Andro Myller.

26 *December* 1470.

Altar of St. Lawrence. It is to remember, on Sant Stevynisday in Yole, the xxvj day of the moneth of December the yer of our Lord m° cccc° lx° and x° yeris, a discret man Sir Rychart Purdy, vicar of Pedynan and dene of the cristianite of Peblis, has resingnet and gaf stat and reale possession, with buk and chalys, at the altere of Sant Lowrans in the parysch kyrk of Peblis, tyll hys cusyng Sir Wilyam Smayl chapellan, of all and syndry anvell rentis with the pertinentis pertenand to the chapellany of the forsayd altere feft and fundyt be the forsayd Sir Rychert, for all the termys of the lyfe of the forsayd Sir Wilyam, the letter sele of ful and playn and fre gyft of the sayd Sir Rychert thairapon thair beand schawin, befor thir wytnes: Thomas Dekysoun, Wylyam Dekyson, balyais in the tym, John Madour of Langtown, John Dekysoun of the Smethfeld, Richart Dekysoun parisch clerk, George Dawysoun, Wilyam Smayl, Sanderis Lokart, Thom Haw, Mechel of Forest, Law Cady, Richart Cant and Robert Smayl, with other diuers and mony of the parischynaris of Peblis thair beand.

14 *January* 1470.

Act against Fighting, &c. Item, that ilk day the gud men of the quest statut and ordanyt that quhatsumeuir thai war that barganyt and facht, in gret skath aperand and strowbelans of the town, quhat partis thai be, thai sal be had to the tolbuth, but ony requestis of ony men, and thar to raman quhil it be knawyn quhilk party is in the faut, and quha that is fundyn in the faut sal pay, but ony

fawyr, to the caussay beyond Peblis Water, x s.; and that sal be gewyn and payt or thai com out of the tolbuth gyf thai be of power, but ony plegis; and gyf thai be nocht in power that is fundyn in the faut of the bargan to pay the sayd x s. thai sal sit in the stokkis viij dayis, and syn furthwith for to be banyst the town for yer and day: And this ac for to be kepyt but ony requestis. Act against fighting, &c.

26 *February* 1470.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Cudbart Glassyng, and hys fredom gewyn quhyt, *pro Deo*, tyll his wyf with all consent of the hal court. Burgess.

Item, that ilk day in the court befor wrytyn, the Monunday the xxvj day of the moneth of Fabruarii the yer of God m° ccc° sexti and x yeris, George of Elphynston forspekar for Thomas Yong mad request to the balyais and the nychtburis that thai wald gyf to the sayd Thomas Yong and his ayris a housted of xviij fut of lenth and xv of bred at the est sid of Twed bryge at the Hydderland skarch, he and his ayris gewand yerly vj lad of stannys to the brig as anvel rent; and than incontinent ilke man be his awin wos consentyt and grantyt thairto, bath balyais and nychburis, and furthwith quhen the court skallit and the balyais rass Wilyam Dekyson balya passyt to the sayd land forsayd and tuk of it erd and stan and layd in the hand of the sayd Thomas Yong thair common seriand and gaf to hym and tyl his ayris heritabil stat and sessyng of the sayd land with al fredomes for euirmar, the sayd land payand yerly vj laid of stanys. Thir wytnes: George of Elphynstoun, ... Grant of land.

20 *May* 1471.

Item, that ilk day, as tane the custum, at the balyais and the nychburis, John of Rowcastell, for tene pondis of vsual moneth of Scotland to pay at twa termys, that is to say at Mertymes and Wytsonday and at al other termys gyf the town nedis; plegis hym self his hand and his gudis. And attour the balyais and the nychburis as statut and ordanyt in playn court at the sayd John of Rowcastel, and all other that takis the custum to cum, sall outred and pay all termys befor the takyn of the sayd custum or it be set other tyl hym or ony other agayn; and gyf it fayllis at days and termys of payment makyn for the sayd custum, quhatsumeuir thai be, thai sall be put in Custom.

Custom. the tolbuth and thar to reman quhill the latter peny be outred and payt, but ony fawur, and neuir to set thaim the custum agayn.

He Kirk. The forsayd x lib. of custum payt be the sayd John of Rowcastel to master Wylyam of Twede, in fultyllyng of payment of the stand westment of the He Kyrk, be the balyais chargis and the nychburis.

30 *September* 1471.

Ale tasters. Item, that ilk day was mad al tastaris: Thomas Fyldar for Dic Car, Wyll of Newby, James Alan and Rob Fyldar.

Flesh pricers. Item, that ilk day was mad flesch pryssaris: Patrik Lawson for Thomas Haw, Sym Patonson, Adam Wylson for John Rechardson, Thomas of Loch for John Alan.

Doussan. The quhilk day is chossyng the doussan be the lection of court: Georg of Elphynston, Wylyam of Peblis, John Madour, Thomas Dekyson elder, Wilyam Dekyson, George Dawyson, John Morchowson, Thomas Jamson, John of Rowcastel, George Collan, Lowre Gybson, James the Waich, Dic Smyth, Thomas Glado, Wyll Red, Gyb Wylyamson, Sanderis Lokart, Wyll Bulle, Thomas Doby, Wyll Dekyson, John Scot, Thomas Haw, Patrik Dekyson, Rob Forstayr, James Lawson, John Wilyamson, James of the Ost.

Statutes. The delyuerans and statutis of the quest:

Wheat. Item, the sayd quest fand quhet at x s. and thairby, and the pass to be gewyn thairby.

Malt. Item, malt at ix and viij s. and thairby, and the all to be sald for x d. the galon the best, and viij d., and better chep, gyf it be pryssyt be the all tastaris. And quhat scho that keppis nocht prys and brekis it efter prys and pryssyng sal pay viij s.

Malt and meal. Item, quhet, malt and mell that cummes to the markat on the Setterday to be sald, bot it sal byd xij houris; and at na furlottis na other met wechel gang quhill the samyn hour, vnder the payn of viij s.

Goods to be sold in market. Item, it is statut that thar sal nother fysch, flesch, butter, chess, frout, salt, na yyt nane other gudis that cummes in the merkat to be sald, bot it sal be present to the cors, thair to be sald; and that na man tak apon hand to hous sic lyk gudis in pregytis and skathyng of the burgh, vnder payn of

viij s. And that na man nor woman tak apon hand nother in the burchg, na yyt cumand to the burchg thair forsayd gudis to by, to ragrat agayn quhil the town be seruit, vnder the payn of viij s. and the gud chet; and gyf ony sic gudis cummes vnder nycht to be sald it sal be present on the morn to the merkat cors hal vnvemyt quhill the nychtburis of the town haf coft at thai wyll, and at nother man nor woman by innowth hous na oututhous na yyt at the cors to ragrat agayn quhill the nychburis be plessyt, vnder the payn of viij s. and that at sa is coft to be chet. Goods to be sold in market.

Item, that na mydyngis ly apon the gat langer than viij days, vnder payn of viij s. Middings.

Item, that na swyn be fundyn on the gat bot houssyt and bandyt and kepyt fra thair nychburis skayth, vnder the payn of viij s. Swyne.

Item, that ilk man kep nychburhed in yardyn, princepaly forfrunt and hedyard, vnder payn viij s. Nychburhed.

Item, it is statut that quhat women at flytis, fechtis, skanderis ony gud menys wyffis dochterris within the burch, thai sal be led to the four yetis of the town with the seriandis, hyngand on thar schowder ij stanys in a irne chenya or in a wedy. Flyting and Fighting.

20 *October* 1471.

It is to remember that apon the Monunday, the xx day of the moneth of October the yer of God m° cccc° lx° and xj yeris, the quhilk day in the tolbuth efter thar cont makyn of the town, the balyais and the nychburis has chossyng twa kyrk masteris, and sa furth at the hed court quhen the balyais is chossyn twa kyrk masteris to be chossyn. Kyrk masters.

20 *April* 1472.

The quhilk day, was mad burges John Neeoll, and hys fredom gewyn to John Morchowson abbot of vnrest in that tym; and for scotyn and lottyn wakyn and wardyng and for the kyngis ferm, plegis the said John Morchowsonis land. Burgess. Abbot of unrest.

1 *June* 1472.

The court of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn be the balyais. . . . . Court.

Venlaw. The quhilk day, has tan the Wenlaw to kep, at the balyais and the court, Gylbert Wylyam, James Davyson, John of Wodhaw and Thomas of Loch, and thai sal haf to thair fee xx s. of the common purs and v s. of the nest mad burges eftir thair entra, and thai sal haf of ilk nychtburis and induellaris that occupyis the sayd hill i d.; and thai sal kep the sayd hill quhill Mechelmes nest to cum fra all bestis and gudis bot hors and calwys and vphald the dykyng of the sayd hill to the sayd tym, sawuand hedromys of croftis, fra the Wedynisday at evyn efter this wryt, and euir ilke man or woman at has part of the sayd dykyng sal mak it suficiand be the sayd nych, and quhar it is otherwys thar sal be tan of thaim vj d. to mend it, and at na husche na entre be nocht to the sayd hyll bot at ycttis; and quhatsumeuir thai that may be ourtane apon thaim that brekis the sayd dykyng thai sall be tan, but ony request, and put in the stokis xxiiij howris and mynd the skath agayn, and gyf thai be thrys takyn tharwith thai sal be banyst the town yer and day and gewyn has rabellowris to the kyngis justis; and thir four personis sal kep and huphald the sayd dikyng of the sayd hyll vnder the tensal of thair fee.

15, 17, 18 *June* 1472.

Cadmowr. The quhilk day, in court, the nychburis gaf thair lection and decretyt to kep Kadmowr to kow and kapyll, and the sayd hyll to be somyt, and principaly the ester hill fra Russelsqham est and fra the march dyk est with Cadmowr wod to kow and kapyl, and the wester hill to chep; and at na gudis sal gang apon the sayd Kadmowris bot burges gudis and wedos gudis that ar induellaris; and on the nest Wedynisday euir ilke man to gang about the sayd Kadmowr to se thair marchys and to provyd for the gouernans of the sayd hillis. And apon the sayd Wedynisday, cumand fra the sayd hill, the nychburis chessyt xxiiij personis to mak gouernans and statutis and to som the sayd hill, the sayd personis be the mast part apon the morn present in the tolbuth befor the balyais, and thar thai ordanyt and decretit and somyt the sayd hil, ilke burges and ilk wedo that induellis sal haf four somes, and that nane sal occupy na put ma somes than four, and quhatsumeuir thai be at has ma somes tak at his nychtbur that as nan to occupy with, and quha that kepes nocht this sal pay v s.; and at na som sall be set bot to fremen and induellaris, vnder the samyn payn; and

at ilk som sal be xij d. as for this yer to Beltan; item, of ilk som to be tan j d. to gyf to the personis at is chossyn to kep the sayd hillis fra all gudis bot burges and wedos gudis and at nan other vnfremenis gudis gang apon the sayd [hillis.] Item, thai ordanit that kow and kapyll and all other nolt of burges or wedos sal gang as is forsayd in Russalsqham abon Kadmowr wod and fra the march dik est with al the laf of the ester hyl; and at na schep gang bot on the wester hyll, vnder the pan of v s., bot mylk schep, with fawir, to be mylkyt for a quhill. And attour incontinent for to provyd for the fulfyllyng, and thir statutis to be gouernyt and kepyt as is forsayd, was chossyn the sayd personis: John Morchowson, Patrik of Tempyll, Thomas the Waich, Robert Smal, James the Waich and Patrik Kellow. Cadmowr.

17 *August* 1472.

The quhilk day, the balyais John Dekyson, and Wylyam Smayl, with thaim a certan of nychtburis, has mad burges John Godisbarn, and he has payt for his fredome in the price of a kyst, x s. Burgess.

5 *October* 1472.

The hed court efter Mechellmes haldyn be the balyais that day chossyn, Thomas Dekyson and John Madour, on the Monunday, . . . Bailies.

Flesch pryssaris: Rob Fyldar, James Alan, Wyll of Newby, John Necoll. Flesh pricers.

Al tastaris: Thomas Lawson, Wyll of Frud, Patrik Patonson, John Jacob. Ale tasters.

14 *July* 1473.

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis in the tolbuth as mad burges Alexander of Horsbruk of that ilk, and sall pay for hys fredom x s; plegis hymself and for al other chargis. Burgess. Horsbruk.

5 *November* 1473.

The quhilk day, in the tolbuth at the cont, the balyeis, John Dekyson and Wilyam Dekyson, and the awditouris of nychtburis thair present, has constitut and ordanit that thair sall na stallanch siluer in tym to cum be inlowit in na manis burges siluer that sal be maid fra thin furth, and that ilke burges that is maid in tym to cum sall pay his burges siluer within viij days or ellis he sall nocht be maid. Burgess money.

15 *November* 1473.

Burgess. The quhilk day, was maid burges Wyll Patonson, and his fredom gewyn fre for the mariag of his wyf.

29 *Januury* 1473.

Land given to St Leonard's hospital. The quhilk day, maister Gylbert Reryk arsdane of Glaschu, with ane inlok keye, has resingnet delynerit and gewyn possession of the loft with the pertinentis of the west hous within the place of the landis of the osspytall lyand in the west end of the burchg of Peblis on the Northt Raw to Schyr Wilyam of Fyllop, fre but ony anvell or male paying for all the days of hys lyff, with fre wsche and entre; and gyf the sayd Schyr Wylyam wyll byge a hous in the west syde of the landis of the said osspytall he sall haf guid wesse thairto, and quhat hous that he byggis he sall joys and occupy it quhill he lewys, and eftir hys desses cumand to the prophet of the sayde osspytall. And than attour furthwith incontinent the sayd Schyr Wilyam of Fyllop passyt to his lande lyand and beande within the landis of the saide osspytall, and thair apon that lande the [said] Sir Wylyam tak vp erde and stan and semply and purly gafe vp and resingnet fra hym and his ayris the sayd land with the pertinentis for euirmare in Wylyam Dekysonis hand balye in that tym, and than incontinent the said balye lade that erd and stan in the handis in the forsaid master Gylbert Reryk arsdane of Glaschu procuratoure to Sant Lenarde, and in the nam of pur folk for the suple and help of thaim in the sayd osspytall, herrietable stat possession and sessyng of the sayd land with the pertinentis, with all fredomes commoditeis and esiementis to the sayd land pertenand, the sayd land payand yerly at twa termys tyll our Lady seruis of the Chapell ij s. of anvell, ande to the sayd Sir Wylyam of Fyllop hys ayris or tyll hys assigneis v s. of anvel be yer, at twa vsual termys to pay of the forsaid land. Befor thir wytnes, master Wylyam of Twede dene of the cristianite of Peblis, Sir Donkon of Durem prest of Glaschu, John Mador, Sir Wilyam Smayl, Sir John of Loch, Sir Lowrans Jonson sculmaster, Thom of Stanus, Cudbert Mulykyn, and Thom Yong clerk, with mony other in the tym.

12 *February* 1473.

The quhilk day, Wylyam of Peblis burges of that ilk, with erde and stan, has gevyn vpe and semply and purely resingnet fra hym and hys ayris for

euirmar hys forland, vnder and abon, with half wan on the southt side, lyand on the Conzhe nest the Northgat, and betwix the lafe of the said Wilyamis land on the southt sid of the ta parte and the Norgat of the north sid on the tother parte, for his saul, his wyffis saull, his baruis and princepally for all the saullis at the sayd Wylyam has had ony gudis wrangwysly of ony mannis, be bying or sellyng or ony enterchangyng, and for all cristyn saullis, in John Dekysonis hand balye in that tym of the sayd burchg; and than incontinent the sayd balye layd that erd and stan in the handis of maister Gylbert Reryk, procuratour constitut and made for Sant Lenardis Osspytall lyande in the west end of the burchg of Peblis, and in the nam of pur folkis for thair suple and help that is ordanyt to be in the said osspytall and in na nother place, herrietable stat possession and sessyng of the forsayd land, with all fredomes commoditeis and esiementis to the said forland pertenand for euirmar. Befor thir witness: . . . . . The sayd land payand yerly tyl our Lady seruis of the Chapell xx d., at twa vsual termys in the yer, of anvell. Foreland in the Conzhe given to St Leonard's Hospital.

18 *April* 1474.

The quhilk day, in court, the nychtburis has ordanyt made and decretyt that thair Commone of Cadmour sall be kepyt to kow and kapyll and nolt, and all schep to be put away of the sayd common fra viij days furth eftir Beltane, vnder the payn (*blank*) bath of burchg and land borderaris and other, and at the balyeis ger this be kepyt. Cadmour

18 *July* 1474.

The quhilk day, John Scot, Alyson his wyf, coniunely and seueraly, with a penny, has resingnet fra thaim and thair ayris for euirmar xij d. of anvell be yer to the Haly Crois of hys land lyand in the Brygat on the North Raw betwix the landis of John Morchowsonis on the west sid of the ta parte and the land of Meryon Fressallis on the est sid of the tother parte, in John Dekysonis hand balye in that tym, and than incontinent the sayde balye layd that penny in the hand of frer Alexander Burgan assingnay to the Haly Crois and kepar to that haly place in that tym, and gaf to hym in name of the Haly Crois and to that haly place herrietabill stat possession and sessyng of the sayd xij d. of anvel be yer of the said land for euirmar, for the grace of Land in Briggat given to the Holy Cross.

Land in Briggat.

Almychty God and the Hayly Crois that the sayd John Scottis houss was kepyt fra byrnyng with felon fyr fra the tym furth that the haly crois was schawyng; thir beand wytnes, John Haw, . . .

3 *October* 1474.

Bailies.

The hed court efter Mechelmes, of the burchg of Peblis, haldyn be the balyeis chossyn that day, Thomas Dekyson and John Madour, apon the Monunday, ...

Flesh pricers.

The quhilk day, was made flesch pryssaris; Felp Muwra, James Robyson, John of Howston and Wille Wylson.

Ale tasters.

The quhilk day was mad all taystaris; Will Patonson and for hym Adam Wilson, John Patonson and for hym Thomas Smyth, Gilbert Sculp and for hym John Wodhaw, and Pat Patonson.

The dousan.

The quhilk day was chossyng the dousan:—George of Elphynston, John Dekyson, Williame Dekyson, Harbart of Twede, George Davyson, Mechel of Forest, Andro Folkart, Will Smayll, Will Bulle, Patrik of Tempyll, Robert Fosstare, Thomas Jamson, John Morchowson, Gyb Wilyamson, Huchin Morchowson, Thomas Hawle, James Davyson, Will Red, John Husscher, Thomas Glado, Robert Forstair, Dic Tonrow, Andro Myller, John Alan, Felp Muwra.

Rood service in St Andrew Kirk.

The quhilk day, comperyt in court George of Elphynston, forspekar for Sir Williame Gybson, and askyt at the balyeis and the court to ger Thomas Yong clerk wryt in the common buk the lection and the gyft that thai had gewyn in court of befor to the sayd Sir Williame of the Rud seruis, and than the balyeis charge the said clerk to ac it as efter folowis: It is to remember that the nychtburis, with hall consent and lection, has grantyt and gewyn the Rud seruis in Sant Andros kyrk to the sayd Sir William for all the dayis of hys lyfe, he dowande ande makand sic dew seruis bath at awlter and in quere als fer as it is or may be in tym to cum of waill the prophet of the said seruis.

8 *May* 1475.

Schoolmaster.

The quhilk day, comperyt in court Schyr Lowrans Johnson, sculmaster in that tym of the sayde burchg, and mekly besocht the balyeis and the nychtburis that thai walde wochsawf to grant and gyf to hym a seruis in Haly

Kyrk that wakis ande fallis in thair gewyn accepande the chapell, for the quhilkis he to be beisse of techyn kenyng of the chylder in hys scoule quhen tym is; and than furthwith the nychtburis serste about as grantyt constitut ordanyt and gewyn thair consent and hall lection to the sayd Sir Lowrans, chepellan, to haf the fyrst seruis that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn and scoule, he beand beisse of techyn and kenyng apon the childer in his scoul lat and ayr quhen tym is; and attour quhat tym it hapynis the sayde Sir Lowrans, chapellan, to be present and put in the sayd seruis of chapellanry he sall mak prescentation and kep the quheyr in Sant Androis Kyrk with hys surples haly days and solempdays bath at mes and evynsang for the sayd seruis and scoul joysyng for techyn and kenyng of childer; and to thir appoyntmentis and condecionis to kep and fulfyl, God wyland, the said Sir Lawrans chapellan sall fulfyll and kep. Wytnes the hall court. Schoolmaster.

Item, that ilk day comperyt in court Sir Thomas of Stanus, chapellan, ande mekly besocht the balyeis and the nychtburis, seue thai hade grantyt the gyft of the fyrst seruis of chapellanry to Sir Lowrans Johnston chapellan, that thai wald wochsawfe the nest seruis thairefter folowande to grant and gyf to hym that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn, for his gud seruis makand and to mak in tym to com in thair quheyr of Sant Andros kyrk, consederande he is a nychtburis son and a sangster; and than furthwith incontinent the nychtburis was all serste about in court and euir ilke man grantyt ande gafe thair consent ande hall lection to the sayd Sir Thomas of Stanus, chapellan, to haf the seruis that nest fallis efter the gyft of the sayd Sir Lowrans that wakis and fallis in thair gewyn in haly kyrk; ande the sayd Sir Thomas makande and doande siclik dew seruis as the sayd chepellanry of seruis ansueris to do, and in the quheyr with his surples at mes and evynsang to kep as efferis for the sayd seruis of chapellanry. Wynes the hall court. Petition of a chaplain.

16 *October* 1475.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Robert Dekyson, and hys freddom gewyn, *pro Deo*, to Meryon Lawson in the marriage of her dochter; and for scotyn, ... Burgesses.

Item, that ilk day was made burges John Gybson, the son of James Gybson, and hys fredom gewyn hym, *pro Deo*, be the lection of the court.

23 *October* 1475.

Burgess. Dekyson of Winkston.

The quhilk day, the balyeis Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, with a certane of nychtburis to the nowmer of xxxv, has mad burges Williame Dekyson of Wynkston, and sall pay for his fredom x s.; plegis, Andro Folkart; and for scotying wakyn and wardyn and for the kyngis ferme paying, plegis his faderis land in the Northgat besyd Sir Adam Fossteris land. And for the telyng and the inhabityn that he made apon the Quhitauchis vnder Glantraiss in the yer befor, the sayd Williame sal ples content and assyth mak to the nychtburis, and neuir agayn to tell na occupy the said auchis bot with the nychtburis fauir and for the mal payande as thai and he can concorde; and that the said William is boune and oblest to kep, but fraud or gill.

13 *November* 1475.

Burgess. Brigwork.

Item, that ilk day was mad burges Wat Fylder, and sall gyf to the suple of the bryg wark the wyning of viij^{xx} of ladis of stanis and na cariage of thaim; and for all other chargis plegis George Dekysonis land in the Northgat.

Town's wickers.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis and the nychtburis has constitut and ordanit that quhatsmeuir thai be, ather man or women, seruandis or other induellaris, that scheris or cottis in tym cumyng our wekeris that growis betwix the Scottis Myl, Hennerston, Menner mouth and prenspady about the town, quha that dois sic thyng, that is in power sal be tane of thaim an vnlaw of viij s. but ony fawur; and quha other that dois sic thyng, and is nocht in power to pay the vnlaw statut thairapon, sal be banist the town yer and day.

Monday after Martinmas, 1475.

Myll.

Item, that ilk day the balyeis and the awdytouris has grantyt and gewyn to Andro Myller v mark to be alowit to hym and payt at certan termys be the pursmaster for the gret costis he mad of the bygyn of the myll.

11 *December* 1475.

Quhytauche.

The quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis present in the tolbuth,

has set and to ferm lattyn to thair lowyt burges Wilyam Dekyson of Wynkston the Quhytauche, lyand vnder Glentras, als fer and sa meckyl as pertenis to thair fredom of law and reson, accepande a fre lonyng throw the sayd auche to Glentras as efferis to the town to haf of law, for a yer to cum folowand the dat of this wryt, for x s. of mal of vsual mone of Scotland to pay to the common purs; plegis Andro Folkart. Quhytauche.

3 *March* 1475.

Item, it is to remember, apon the Sonday the thryd day of the moneth of March the yer of Gode m° cccc° lx° xv° yeris, the quhilk day, the balyeis and the nychtburis of the burchg of Peblis, in the parysche kyrk of the samyn, has ordanyt and chargyt Sir Lowrans Jonson schulmaster to hafe tak vp and ressaw a certane of anvellis be yer gewyn be ald Willyam of Bothwell, burges in that tym, to Sant James awter, for saul hell, as tutouris and gouernowris of the said anvellis lyand in the sayd burchg, that is to say: of the land quhelum was John Redis, xiij s. and iiij d.; item, of the land of John Caris, culperis, iij s.; item of the land in the Bregat quhelum was John Forstaris, iiij s.; item, of the land quhelum was John Hennersonis, iiij s.; item, of the land quhelum was John of Sellaris, ij s.; and than incontinent, in presens of the paryschyn, Gylbert Wilyamson balye at the said awter with buk and challis gaf possession and charge to Sir Lorans to do seruis and messis saying als fer as the said anvellis is of waill quhill mar cum. Item, incontinent thai mad Wilyam of Bothwell, the son was of John of Bothwele, burges, and gaf his fredom fre; the said Wilyam and his ayris quhytclemys and dischargis thaim for euir to mak ony clam na legens of the saydis anvellis or gyft bot as other nychtburis dois. Wytnes the paryschyn. St James altar. Schulmaster.

6 *May* 1476.

Item, that ilk day was made burges Thomas Yong, masson, and sal pay for hys fredom v s. in wark or siluer at the tounys wyll, the tother v s. gewyn our be the request of George of Elphynston lard of Henriston; and the sayd Thomas Yong to be a lynour. Burgess.

27 *May* 1476.

Let of mills.

The quhilk day, we balyeis, Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, and the nychtburis, gaderyt in the tolbuth, with hall and fre lection we haf set and to ferme lattyn and be this present wryt in our common buk settis and to ferm lattis all and hall our myllis and myllyngis, with thair pertinentis, of our burchg of Peblis to our welbeluffyt burges Robart Myller for all the termys of sevyn yeris nest and togydder folowand the dat of this present wryt, for fourty and fyfe markis of male of vsuale mone of Scotland to be payt tyl us and tyll our common purss at four termys in the yer be evyn portionis, that is to say, Wytsonday, Lammes, Martymes and Candylmes; and attour gyf it hapynis us to mister or the town to be saryt for siluer or ony of thir forsaid termys cum the said Robart sall help and suple the town of mone at hys gudly power, vnskathand hym. And attour the said Robert, God willand, sall byge and make to us a wauk myll within the termes of thre yeris nest efter his entra in the said myllis and myllyngis of ouris, the quhilkis sayd thre yeris the sayd Robart sall bruk and joyss and haffe the prophet of the said wauk myll for all the termys of the said thre yeris be rone and passyt, and fra thinfurth the thre yeris gane the said wauk myll with the pertinentis cumand and beand in our awn handis to set and to joyss and to hafe the prophet thairof our self for euir. Item, the childer that sall serue in the sayd myllis sall nocht haf na tak knayfchep of na corn bot of attis, and thai sall kep romys at thair power. And the entra of the said Robart Myllar beand at the nest Wytsonday eftir the dat of this present wryt; and we forsuth balyeis and commonyteis all and syndry our forsayd myllis and myllyngis befor nemyt, with all fredomes, commoditeis, prophetis with thair pertinentis, endurand all the termys of the forwryttyn sevyn yeris, to the forsaid Robart his ayris or assingneis sall warand and defend; and for the said Robartis fulfillyn and kepyn of this assedation plegis John Madour, William Dekyson, William Bullok, Gylbert Wilyamson and Robert Forster.

Miller made burgess.

Item, incontinent, thai mad the said Robart Myller burges, and gaf to hym his fredom fre.

10 *June* 1476.

Liners.

The quhilk day, the balyeis Patrik Dekyson and Gylbert Wilyamson, be

the commande and charge of our Souerane Lordis lettres, thai haf gaderyt the assyss of lynouris of the burchg, thair gret athis suorn, apon the gronde to lyn devid and tyll dissyde bath be lenth and be brede the landis and tenementis betwix Robert Fylder and Wilyam of Dunsyar burges of Edinburchg, the quhilk assiss all concordande as ordanit and mad the said Robert to haf all and hall the gawyll that standis betwix the said landis of the said Robertis and Wylyamis as is weteryt be the said assiss be stob and stak.

14 *October* 1476.

The qwhylk day, Wyllyam Anderson was chosyn common clerk and maid burges that ilk day. Common clerk.

17 *November* 1476.

The qwhylk day was mad burges Wyllyam Cade; plegis hymself and hys landis and his gudis for iiij^{xx} laddis of stanis. Burgess.

It is to remember, the xvij day of the moneth of Nouember the yeir of God m cccc sewynti and vj yeiris, that Wylyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson, balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, with consent and assent of the hayll communite of the said burgh, grantis ws tyll haf settyng and to ferm lattyn and be thir present letteres and ac in owr common buk settis and to ferm lattis tyll owr weill belufyt nychtbur and burges of owr bwrgh George Robynson owr landis of Homylldon, for all the termis of sewyn yeris next and togydder folowand the dayt of the makyng of the present lettres, for vj markis and a half yeirly of mayll of gud and vsuall mone of Scotland tyll ws and tyll owr balyeis of owr burgh and tyll owr common purs yeirly, to be pait at twa vsuall termes of the yeir, that is to say, Witsonday and Martynmes be ewynly portionis. To be haldyn and haid all and hall owr forsaid landis of Homyldon to the forsaid George Robynson and tyll his ayris executoris or assignais, with all fredomis commoditeis essamentis at tyll owr said landis pertenand or rychtwysly may pertene in tym to ewm, excepand that the burges and the induellaris of owr burgh ar fre and sall be fre to pull hadyr and cast turffis als oft as tham lykis apon the said landis of Homyldon; and we balyeis forsaid and communte gyffand and grantand to the forsaid George Robyson fwll power to mak rasonabyll tenandis and Let of Homyldon.

Let of Homyldon.

wndersedyllis als oft as it is sene speidfwll tyll hym qwhyll all the termis of sewyn yeiris be fwllely owt ronyng and togydder by passyt, als frely as ony malar browkis or aucht to bruk on the fowr half abowt vsand and josand, but fraud or gyll, lely and trewly; the entre forsuth of the said George Robynson in the said mayln and takis at the Witsonday next efter the dat of thir present letteres, and payand the next Martynmes mayll efter. And we forsuth, forsaid balyeis and communite and owr successoris, all and syndry owr forsaid landis of Homyldon befor nemyt, endurand all the termes of the forwirtyn sewyn yeiris, to the forsaid George Robynson his ayris executoris or assignais, in maner form and effect as is be forwirtyn, aganis all men and women sall warand qwytclem and defend als fer as law wyll. In witnes of the qwhylk thyng this was done in plane cowrt, befor the balyeis befor wirtyn and the hayll communite, in the tolbuth, day yeir beforwirtyn. The forsayd George Robynson to thir condicionis abuf wirtyn plegis for hym souerte his landis and his gudis.

3 *January* 1476.

Grant of house at Tweed Bridge.

The forsaid balyeis gayf to Bertyllmew Yong, with erd and stan, herytabyll statt and sesyng of a hows and the hows steid at the north end of the brig of Twed and on the est syd of the bryg to the said Bertyllmew Yong and tyll his ayris. The said Bertylmew sall pay yerly and his ayris for the said hows steid vj laid of stanis to the brig werk or vj d. of sylner for the anwell of the hows steid. Befor thir witnes: Jhon Danison, Jhon Mychelson, Jhon Rychardson, Thom Jhonson, Thom of Geddes and other diuers.

20 *January* 1476.

Grant of ground at Castilchill.

The qwhylk day, the balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, Wylyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson, passit to the west end of the said burgh, and at the est end of the Castall hyll, and at the swth end of personys hows, the said balye tuk wp erd and stan on that samyng grond and lad it in the handis of Wyll of Elphynston son wmqwhyll of Rob of Elphynston and gaf tyll hym and tyll his ayris herytabill stat and sessyng of xliiij fut of lenth, begynand at the sowth end of personis hows and met down towart Twed and the wydnes of personis hows, saffand ilk mannis rychtis, befor thir witnes. . . . .

and the forsaid Wylyam of Elphynston and his ayris sall pay for the xliiij fut xviij d. of anwell be yeir to Sant James alter in the He Kyrk of the said burgh to pray for owr Soueran Lord the Kyng and the Qwen and for the weillfor of the said burgh. Ground at Castlehill.

That ilk day, comperit in cowrt Jhon of Rowcastall to folow a bowrch that he fand apon Andro Ranwyk, the qwhylk com borch for hym Sanderis Lokart tyll entyr hym to the next cowrt, the said Andro callit thrys and nocht enterit, than the seriand Thomas of Loch prufit his atachement, than the forsaid John of Rowcastall askyt how thai suld depart has that day, the pairteis ramoffit and in agan callit, the cowrt weill awysit, Jhon Cade dempstar wardit Sanderis Lokart in a fawt, and than the balyeis chargit Thomas of Loch seriand to tak witnes with hym and pas to Sanderis Lokart and tak a stres and lat hym to borch and warn hym tyll enter Andro Ranwyk to the next cowrt as the secwnd court, and this the fryst court. Court. Rowcastale and Ranwyk.

22 *January* 1476.

It is to remember and haf in mynd that apon the xxij day of the moneth of Jannar in the yeir of God m cccc sewynti and vj yeris, it is apontyt and finaly concordit betwex Mychel of Forest, burges of Peblis, on the ta part, and Patrik Dickyson, Symon of Loch and Symon Reid his gud sonis on the tother part, in form and maner has efter folowis, that is to say, the said Mychell of Forest is bundyng and oblist be the fath and trewth of hys body, in the presens of Jhon Morchoson balye of Peblis in that tym, in the parisch kyrkyard of Sanct Andro in Peblis, that he sall neuir analy be na maner of alienation, sall na wedset hys landis nor anwel renttis within the said burgh, na the thre rudis that has lyand in the crofttis withowt the town of the said burgh of Peblis, fra hys forsaid thre gud sonis Patryk, Symon and Symon, for all the dayis of the said Mychellis lyf; and gyf it happynis the said Mychell to sell or analy part or all of hys landis or anwell renttis forsaid the forsaid Mychell sall warn his forsaid thre gud sonis, Patrik, Symon and Symon, befor notabyll witnes, on the spas and tym of a qwarter of a yeir befor or he mak ony alienation, proforand tham befor all other to haf the said alienation les or mar gyf he ony makis, thai gyffand tharfor for sa mekyll has he analyis for that tym the twa part of the just part at thai landis or anwell renttis ar worth that he analyis for that tym he gyfand Contract between Mychel of Forest and his gudsonis.

Contract between Mychel of Forest and his guidsonis.

tham the thrid part of the just part, but frawd or gyll; and the said Patrik, Symon and Symon ar oblist that thai sall neuir analy tha landis nor anwell renttis fra the forsaid Mychellis dochteris barnis and thar rychtwys ayris; and heiratowr, gyf it happynis the said Mychell, has God forbeid it do, be ony maner of wys to brek this forsaid contract and condicion, the said Mychell is oblissit and oblissis hym to the said Patryk, Symon and Symon, his gud sonis, in the mast sekyr form of oblygation to pay to tham the som of fowrti lib. of gud and vsual mone of Scotland, but fauor, becaws of legasy left to the said Patrik, Symon and Symon, and thar wyffis, be Maryon the spows wmqwhyll of the said Mychell of Forest, has clerly is contenit in hyr testment maid tharapon, qwhylk som and gudis that was left to tham in legasy the said Patrik Symon and Symon has dischargyt the said Mychell als fer has he has in his hand, for the fauoris of this condicion befor wyrtyn, for euirmar, that thai sall neuir wex nor tribyll the said Mychell in the payment of the said gudis, the said Mychell kepand the contract and pontment abuf wyrtyn, to the qwhylkis the said Patrik, Symon and Symon ar oblist be the fathis of thar bodeis that thai sall kep thar kyndnes and mak hym seruis as thai awch to do to thar gud fader and brek nocht in thar defawt. Befor thir witnes; the balye Jhon Morchoson, ...

3 *February* 1476.

St John's altar.

Cumperit George of Elphynston of Henriston befor the balyeis, Wylyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson, and the hayll comonite, gaderit at thar court in the tolbuth of the burgh of Peblis, and maid raquest for the seruice of Sant James alter in the He Kyrk of the forsaid burgh, the qwhylk alter had nocht seruice to wphald a chaplan, tharapon the said George askyt at the balyeis and comonite gyf thai thocht it was speidfull tyll anext the malis of the Comon Struder and Dawletho to the forsaid seruice to mend it with yeirly, to pray for the balyeis and the comonite and for the weilfar of the burgh of Peblis for euirmar; and than the balyeis weill awysit and the hayl comonite thochtis was speidfull and merytabyll to be don, and grantit with hayl consent tharto, ilk man be his awn woce and neuir an ganstandand, that the malys of the Common Struder and Dawletho howenir thai may be set for mar or for les at the wyll of the town ay indurand to Sant James alter. And alswa the forsaid seruice was gyfyn to Sir Lawrence Jhonson

sculmaster of the said burgh for al the dayis of his lyf; and qwhat tym it hapynnis the forsaid seruice ta wac it is ordanit and seyn spedfull that the forsaid seruice sal be gyfyn to the mast abyl chaplan of the town, or qwhareuir he may be gottyn, at has mast knawlage to be sculmaster and to tech barnis. St John's altar.

11 *February* 1476.

The balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, John Morchison and Wylyam Dickyson, passit with the lynoris of the said burgh, that is to say, George Dauison, Sym of Loch, Thomas Yong, Wyllyam Bulle, Paton of Tempyll, Thomas Haw, Wyll Reid, Jhon Dauison, Thomas Jamson, Dic Smyth, John Car and other diuers, and lynit twa landis in the Hegat, that is to say the land of Patrik Dickyson on the west part and the land of Wat Blaclok on the est part on the tother part, the lynoris sworn on the samyng grond the gret ath that thai suld lyn met and part thai twa forsaid landis ewynly betwex the said personis, and than the forsaid lynoris fand that Walter Blaclokis land was na brader na it awch to be, nother in forland na in mydland na yit on the bak syd, and thai forsaid lynoris ordanit that Walter Blaclokis land swld stand styll as it stud and as thai fand it that day, and thus was thar deliuerans as that tym. Lining of land in the Highgait.

28 *April* 1477.

Comperit in the tollbuth of Peblis, befor Wyllyam Dickyson and Jhon Morchoson balyeis, and the hall communite, Sir Qwyntyn Folkert chaplan, and thar in plan cowrt frely and wylfully, but ony pley compellyn or exortacion of ony otheris, purly and sympylly, rasignit and gaf vp al rychtis possessyon enternettyng and clem qwhylk he haid or mycht haf to the chaplanry of Geddes Ille in the Pariss Kyrk of Peblis be ony resignacion or gyffyn owr of wmqwhyll master Jhon the Wach, last possessor tharof, maid in the handis of the balyeis of the said burgh of tym bygan, and tuk hym allvtraly to stand and byd, but ony exception, at the fauoris of the forsaid balyeis and communite patronis of the said seruice than wacand in thar handis be the deces of the said wmqwhyll master Jhon the Wach; and than the balyeis and the communite at lenth ryply awysit with an consent fwllely and planly grantyt and gayf the said seruice and chaplanry frely to the said Sir Qwyntyn Folkart and conducit hym for a yeir efter the tenor of the feft- Chaplainry of Geddes Aisle

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ment; and apon the Tyssday, the morn efter, the forsaid balyeis passit to the alter of the said Ille, and gaf to the forsaid Sir Qwhyntyn reall actuall and corporall possession of the said chaplanry with the pertinentis, be buk chalyss westment and other anormentis that langit tharto. Befor thir witnes: the Deyn, master Wyllyam of Twede, . . .

1477.

Power given to Thomas Doby to sell his land.

It is to remember, the yeir of God m cccc sewynti and vij yeris, that Thomas Doby, burges of Peblis, comperit befor the balyeis of the said burgh at thre diuers cowrtis and complenyeit and maid manifest befor tham his gret necessite, and he proforit his land and tenement to sell to the nerast of his awn kyn and lawchfull ayris tyll hym, sayand and proforand tham befor all other gyff thai wald redem that land or fynd hym his mysteris qwhylk that stud hym in gret necessite and fawt of his lewyng, as he that was an awld man and mycht nocht labor; and the said Thomas maid this profor at thre cowrtis, and at the ferd cowrt the balyeis and the communite weill awysyt delyuerit and proclamit at the markat cors that the said Thomas Doby, for fawt of his lewyng, mycht sell wedset or analy his land gyf he ony haid, or his rycht, of ony land or possessionis tyll ony man that walld support hym tharfor als fer as law wald; and heirapon the said Thomas askyt ane ac and rolment of the cowrt, the qwhylk was grantit hym be the hall cowrt.

17 *November* 1477.

Let of portion of Cadmowr.

The balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, Patrik Dickyson and Thomas Haw, and the hayll communite in the tolbuth togydder gadderit, with hayll consent and assent be the mast part, as lent to Sir Wyllyam Gybson chaplan a certan of Cadmowr to the wall of iiij akyris for vij yeiris termes, and the forsaid Sir Wyllyam sall keip the qwer in Sant Androis Kyrk and mak gud seruice tharfor, and this the nychtboris thocht spedfull to be don.

8 *February* 1478.

Andro Morchoson and his goodis.

The quhylk day abon wirtyn, master Wyllyam of Twede, tutour and owrsear to Andro Morchoson, deliuerit the said Andro Morchoson and his gudis in the kepyn of John Scot qwhyll the child com to lawfull eld, and

than the said Jhon Scot was bwndyn to the sayd master Wylyam to deliuer the child his gudis and ayrschip agan siclyk as he rasauit or the part of tham qwhen the child askyt, and this was don at the for yeit of the said Andro Morchosonis efter that he tuk sesing; befor the witnes abon wirtyn. Andro Murchoson and his goods.

15 *February* 1478.

The qwhylk day, master Wilyam of Twede, deyn of Peblis, comperit in the tolbuth of the said burgh befor the balyeis and the communite, in the nam and on the behalf of Sir Wilyam Gybson chaplan that tym at the Rud alter in the paris kyrk of Sant Andro, and the said master Wylyam of Twede rycht humbely maid protestation and raquerit the balyeis and the communite for a lessens to the said Sir Wylyam Gybson, chaplan of the said seruice, for the spass and termes of fowr yeiris next folowand, that he mycht leif a chaplan in his sted to mak seruice sufficiand as efferit, becaus that the said Sir Willyam bowuit and schup to trawall in other contreis to scullis, the qwhilk chaplan suld be Sir Gilbart Jamson, and the said Sir Gilbart suld enter to the seruice and present dayly the alter qwhen he is dessposit as efferis, and becaus the said Sir Gilbart Jamson had a seruice qwhyll the next Mertymmes he sall nocht ta na rasaff na fruttis belangand to the said alter qwhyll the Witsonday cwm a yeir efter; and now in the meyntym fra this dayt qwhyll the next Witsonday the said Sir Wylyam Gybson, becaus of his trawall, sall disspon and tak that termis mayll and na mar; and fra the next Witsonday qwhyll the next Mertynmes that half yeris fruittis sall be tan vp be the consall of the town and put to the reparation of the said alter in qwhat thingis that is mast speidfull to the alter; and gyf it it happynis that the said Sir Gylbart falyeis and makis nocht sufficiand seruice as efferis the balyeis and the communite sall disspon apon the seruice as plessis tham; and geff it happynnis that the said Sir Wylyam Gybson that God wesy hym and decessis in the menetym the balyeis and the communite sall desspon and put to the seruice qwhat chaplan that plessis tham best; and gef it happynnis the said Sir Wylyam Gybson to cwm ham agan within the termis of fowr yeris, or at the fowr yeiris end or neir tharby, he sall enter tyll his seruice agan withowtyn ony pley or demand of ony person; and this lessence was geffyn be award of the hall cowrt. Chaplainry of the Rood altar.

13 *March* 1478.

Goods sold.

Jhonet the wyf of wmqwhyll Wyll Mowat as sawld and deliuerit to James Robynson, for fawlt and gert necessite of hir leffyng, a met almery, a wechell almery, a cuch bed, burd and trestis, a pot, a brew caldron, the peralyn of the haw, a nap sek and a cruk ; befor thir witnes : Jhon Morchoson, Jhon Dauison, Jhon Patonson, Wyll of Frud, Thomas of Loch and Wyll Anderson.

21 *April* 1479.

Let of mills.

The quhylk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson balyeis in the burgh of Peblis, with consent and assent of the hayll communite of the said burgh, as set and to mayll lattyn all and hayll our mylnis and myllingis of our said burgh to Robyn Mylnar, for all the dayis and termes of fyve yeris next and togydder folowand the dat of thir present lettres, for fourty and fyve markis of gud and vsuall mone of Scotland yerly to ws or tyll our tressurar to be payit at four termes in the yer Beltane, Lammes, Alhallomes and Candillmes be ewyn portionis, of the qwhylk sowm the said Robert as payit to ws in our mister xxv markis of formal . . . .

21 *July* 1479.

Inquest Annual.

The qwhylk day, the balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, Jhon Dickyson and Wylyam Dickyson balyeis in that tym, and diuers nychtbouris of the said burgh, passit to the land and tenement of Robyn Mylnaris lyand at the north end of the bryg of Peblis betwex the land of wmqwhyll Rychard Cant on the west sid on a part and the land of Thomas of Mortown on the est sid on ane other part ; and apon the dwrthreswald the forsaid balyeis sat down and held a fermit cowrt twichand the rychtis rycht and possession becaus of a borch of freth fors fwndyn and causit be Thomas Wyly of Bonyntown for a certan of annual of that forsaid land awand to hym yeirly be the succession of Rychard Cant, that is to say, xiij s. and vj d. as he alleggit, and than the balyeis gert call certan nychtbouris and causit diligently ane leill inquisicion to pas tharapon, that is to say the personis vnderwrityn: Thomas Dickyson, George Dauison, Gylbart Wylyamson, Jhon Dauison, James Gybson, Thomas the Wache, Rob Forfar, John Wylyamson, Archbald Percle, James Dauison,

Rob Dickyson and Thomas Haw, the qwhylk inquisicion sworn be thair gret athtis the Haly Wangell twichit, passit awysitly decretit decernit and delyuerit that the said land awch na mar to Thomas Wyly bot xij s. of annuall be yeir, and fand his borch of nan wayll; and than comperit master Archbald Dickyson and askyt at the balyeis that thai wald caus the clerk to ac that deliuerans in the common buk on hys expensis. Inquest Annual.

17 *January* 1479.

The heid cowrt efter Yoll of the burgh of Peblis, halding be the balyeis of that ilk, Georgis of Elphinston, Harbart of Twede and Patrik Dickyson, the xvij day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God m° cccc° lxxix yeiris. The qwhylk day was geffyn and granttyt to Sir Willyam Thomson, chaplan, the seruice of the Rud alter in Sant Androis Kyrk, be award and lection of the hayll cowrt, for all the dayis of his lyf and efter the tenor of the feftment; and apon the Tissday, the morn efter, the forsaid balyeis passit to the said alter and gaf the said Sir Willyam Thomson reall actuall and corporall possession of the forsaid chaplanry, with the pertenens, that is to say, landis possessionis and annuall renttis that belangis to the said seruice, and tharapon deliuerit in the handis of the said Sir Willyam Thomson buk chalis and westment and vther anormentis that was thar in that tym, befor thir witnes: Wylyam Dickyson, George Danison, Thomas Haw, Robyn Dickyson, Jhon Alane, William Anderson borow clerk in that tym, with other diuers. Head court. Rood altar.

19 *May* 1480.

The quhylk day, was maid burges, Wylyam Hardy for x s. qwhylk was geffyn to the byggyn of the buttis, befor the balye Jhon Dickesoun and the consall of the town; plegis Martyn Bawcasky for his deweteis, scottyn, lottyn, wakyn and wardyn; and this x s. payit to the balye forsaid. Burgess. Buttis.

28 *May* 1480.

The qwhylk day was maid burges Wylyam Bell; plegis for hym, Walter Blaclok, balyeis that tym Jhon Dickyson and Wylyam Dickeson; and his fredome geffyn to the byggyn of the buttis betwex the wateris in the Common Hawch, the first buttis that euir was maid in that place. Buttis on the Common Hauch.

23 *July* 1480.

Rood altar.

The qwhylk day, George of Elphynstown, Harbart of Twede and Patrik Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in that tym, with consent and assent of the hayll communite of the said burgh, passit to the markat cors of the samyn, and thar the said balyeis, in the nam and on the behalf of the hayll communite, haf gewyn herytable stat sesing and possession with a peny of xiij s. and iiij d. of annual be yeir to Sir Wylyam Thomson, chaplan, and to his successoris that sall sing mes and mak service at the Rud alter in Sant Androis Kyrk of Peblis in the Rud loft, to be payit yeirly at twa vsuall termes of the yeir Witsonday and Martymes in wynter be ewyn porcionis, for the qwhylk mark of annuall as said is the forsaid balyeis and communite byndis thar common gudis of the said burgh for tham and thar ayris yeirly to be rasit and takyn of thar common gudis, that is to say of thar mylnis mowteris and all wther possessionis, for euirmar to pray for the sawll, of the said Sir Wylyam Thomson, his faderis sawll and his moderis sawll, and for the prosperite and the weillfar of the burgh of Peblis, for the qwhylk mark of annuall yeirly the said Sir Wyllyam Thomson, chaplan, as geffyn and payit to the communite of Peblis in thar thankis qwhen it was behuffull to the expenssis of the town, twenty markis. Befor thir witnes: the forsaid balyeis; maister Wylyam of Twede, person of Glenqwham and deyn of Peblis in that tym; Sir Jhon of Loch, curat; Jhon Madur, George Dauison, Wylyam Dickeson of Wynkstown, Jhon Anderson, Adam Dickeson, Jhon Huschar, Thom of Loch, seriand; Wyll Anderson, clerk; with wthir diuers.

24 *August* 1480.

St Andrew's Kirk.

The qwhylk day Thomas Wyly of Bonyntown as resignet, be a peny, x schillingis of annuall be yeir of Patrik Patonsons land and tenement lyand in the burgh of Peblis, ... in the handis of George Elphinstown, balye of Peblis in that tym, and than incontinent the said bailye at the speciall raquest of the said Thomas Wyly deliuerit and laid that peny in the handis of Sir Wylyam of Fulop, rector of the quer in Sant Androis Kyrk, in the nam and behalf of Sant Andro, and gaf tyll hym in the nam of Sant Andro and the kyrk sesing stat and herytabill possession of the forsaid ten schillingis be yeir for ane anniuersar yeirly to be don in the said kyrk efter the

deces of the said Thomas at qwhat alter at it hapymnis the said Thomas to be erdit befor at the disposicion of the said Sir Wylyam of Fulop and the deyn as thai and thar successouris rectouris and deynnis thinkis mast expediant, for the saullis of the said Thomas his forbearis and successouris for euirmar, yeirly to be don as the day happymnis to fall; and to gar wryt in the kalandar of the mes buk the day and the anniuersar the qwhylkis sall reman in memorans of the samyn. And this was don befor thir witnes: Thomas Haw, Jhon Madour, Sanderis Cant, Dic Mychellson, Thom Smeth, John Car culper, Andro Glado, Patrik Dickeson, Thom of Loch seriand, William Anderson clerk. St Andrew's Kirk.

15*th October* 1481.

The qwhylk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wyllyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis, with the hayl consall and communite of the said burgh, in the tolbuth of the samyn at the heid court gaderit, has grantit and frely geffyn to Sir Gylbert Jamson, chaplan, the seruice and altarage of our Lade in Sant Androis Kyrk, efter the tenor of the feftment, for his gud seruice makand sic lyk as wthir chaplanis makis qwhen he is assposit; and apon the morn efter, the said balyeis, with the men of wirschip of the town, passit to the said kyrk and at the said alter gaf the said Sir Gylbert reall and actuall possession, be buk chalis and westment and wther anornenttis that langis to the said alter; and the said Sir Gylbert sall bruk and haf the said seruice, with all fredomis proffittis renttis and landis that pertenis to the said seruice, to dispon thairapon as is mast behuffull and speidfull batht for hymself and the reparacion of the said alter. Our Lady altar.

16 *November* 1481.

The qwhylk day, at ten houris befor none, Robert Howeson rasignet purly and sympilly be the geffyng of erd and stane to Wylyam Dickeson balye of Peblis for the tym, as the manar is of the burgh, all rychtis clame and possession the qwhylkis he haid or mycht hawe in or to ane tenement lyand within the burgh of Peblis in the gat passand fra Peblis brig to Sant Andros Kyrk, and on the sowth sid of the samyn gat, betwex ane tenement of ane wirschipfull man master Gylbert Rerik archideyn of Glasgw on the est sid, the qwhylk was wmqwhyll Wylyam the Hayis of Mynyane, and ane Curate and chaplains of St Andrew's Kirk.

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tenement of Wylyam of Geddes on the west side, as it lyis in lenth and breid, with all and sindry lyberties commodities essamentis and rychtwys and pertinens qwhatsumeuir, als weill wnder erd as abone, fra hym and hys ayris for euirmar; the qwhylk balye incontinent, be the deliuerans of erd and stan as said is, gaf herytabill stat sesing and possession of the forsaid tenement with the pertinentis tyll ane wirschipfull man Gylbert Rerik archideyn of Glasgw and his assigneis; and thaireftir incontinent the said Gilbert archideyn resignet the said tenement with the pertinentis purly and sympilly be erd and stane, in form as is abon wirtyng, in the forsaid balyeis handis; the qwhylk resignacion admittit at the speciall raquest of the said archideyn, the said Wylyam Dickeson balye forsaid, be the deliuerans of erd and stane, gawe heritabill and perpetuall stat sesing and possession of the forsaid tenement with the pertinens to Sir Jhon of Loch curat, Sir Wylyam of Phillop, master Archbald Dickeson, Sir Gylbart Jamson, Sir Wylyam Smalle, Sir Thomas Gybson, Sir Wylyam Thomson, Sir Laurence Jhonson, Sir Andro Folkart and Sir Robert Twnno, chaplanis and serwandis at the paroche alter in Sant Andros kyrk, as pleban and curat of the parochanaris and at the thre altaris of our Lade, twa in the parich kyrk and ane in the chapell within the town, alswa at the Rud altar, Sant Mychallis alter, Sant Jhon the Baptistis altar, Sant James altar, and Sant Laurence altar, and thar successoris plebanis and chaplanis serwandis at the saidis altaris in the said kyrk of Peblis, to resid and raman continualy for thaim and thar successoris in the habytacion to be maid on the said grond in chameris and wther byggyn for euirmar, sa at the blebane and curat haf ane of the principall forchameris of the said tenement mast ganand for the seruice of the parochanaris at thar call in tym of neid. And attour the said Gylbert archideyn resignet be erd and stan the vs occupacion profet and possession of the hall of his place at was wmqwhyll Wylyam the Hayis as is abon expremit, with the ws and occupation of thre of the four lityll pantreis in the south end of the samyn and the loft abon thaim for the conseruacion of fewell, in the said balyeis handis, excepand alanerly the vs of the samyn hall to hym and his successouris, archideynis for the tym, at principall festis and qwhen it neidis thaim for thar honor; the qwhylk resignation admittit, the balye fornemyt gawe heritabyll and perpetuall stat sesing and possession of the vs occupacion and profet of the said hall pantreis and loft as said is to the saidis plebane and curat and chaplanis, seruitouris at the altaris forsaid, and thair successoris

plebanis curatis and chaplanis for euirmar, excepand the archideynis occupation in principall festis and tymmis as said is. And fynaly the said Gylbert, archiden, constitut deput and ordanit the saidis plebane curat and chaplanis and thair successoris for euirmar to be kepparis to the archidenis place forsaid with the yard and pertinens efter his disces and the desces of his successouris aye and qwhyll the werray possesour of the archideynry be peissabyll in his possession, but pley or aduersite, be ony maner of way; and in the myd tym the profet of the said place and yard to ramane to the profet of the kepparis forsaid. All and sindry thir thingis war dou as is abon wirtyn, apon the grond of the saidis tenementtis, befor thir witnes: Wylyam of Geddes, . . . Curate and Chaplain of St Andrew's Kirk.

14 *January* 1481.

The qwhylk day, master Archbald Dickeson, chaplan of Sant Mychellis seruice in Sant Androis Kyrk, comperit befor the balyeis consall and the hayll communite gaderit in the tolbuth at the heid court, and rycht humly the said master Archbald proponit and requirit the said balyeis consell and communite that his land and tenement that lyis next Sant Mychellis land on the est sid of the samyn that the said land mycht haf interess in Sant Mychellis Wynd, and brek dur and wondow opynand apon the said wynd, with fre ische and intre vpthrow and donthrow to the Water, in the qwhylkis the balyeis answarit and said thai thocht his peticion resonabill; neuirtheles the balyeis laid the action to the inquest, in the qwhylk action the inquest deliuerit and said thai thocht it wes na preiudice nor hindering nowther to the thon na yit to Sant Mychell that the said land mycht haf interes in Sant Mychellis Wynd, and brek dur and wondo opynand on the said wynd, with fre ische and intre vpthrow and down throw to the Water; and than incontinent the said balyeis consall and communite, be a hayll election of the court, as granttyt to the said master Archbald his petition and askyn frely as is befor said, withowtyn ony demand or reuocacion in tym to cum; qwhylk ische and entre to the forsaid land as is befor said sall raman for euirmar and neuir to be gansaid nor ganstanding nowther be balyeis consall nor communite of the said burgh na thar successoris in tym to cwm; and tharapon the said master Archbald askyt at the balyeis that thai wald caus the clerk to mak ane ac thairapon, the qwhylk act suld be wyrtyn in the St Michael's Wynd.

St Michael's Wynd.

common buk to reman and ber witnes of the qwhylk thingis forsaid in witnes heirof. This was don in the tolbuth at the heid of the balyeis consall and communite as said is day yeir and place abone wyrtyn.

5 *June* 1482.

Rud altar. Sculmaster.

The qwhylk day, Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in that tym, with Thomas of Loch and Pat Henrison seriandis, with the consall and hayll communite of the said burgh in the tolbuth gadderit, as granttit and geffyn, for thaim and thar successouris, the seruice of the Rud alter in Sant Androis Kyrk of the said burgh in the Rud loft, with hayll and fre alection of the hayll cowrt withowttyn ony obstakyll or demand, ilk-aman be hys awn woce and nocht ane ganstandand, to Sir Laurence Jhonson, sculmaster, for all the dayis of hys lyf. And the said consall and communite as granttyt and geffyn to the said Sir Laurence, ilk man be his awn voce, the sculmasterschip of the grammar scull with all profyttis of the said scull for all the dayis of his lyf. And that ilk day the said balyeis passit to the said kyrk, and at the said Rud alter the said Jhon Dickyson gaf to the said Sir Laurence Jhonson reall actuall and corporall possession, by deliuerans of buk, chalis, and westment and wther anormenttis of the said allter, with all profittis, annuell renttis, landis and possessionis that langis to the said seruice and alterage; and the said Sir Laurence sall mak dew seruice in the quer as efferis and kep his alter qwhen he is dissposit. And thir thingis beforsaid, batht gift and possession, was granttyt geffyn frely as is befor wirtyn, day yeir and place befor wirtyn, and befor thir witnes: Jhon Dickeson balye, and Wylyam Dickeson, Thomas Dickeson, and Thomas Dickeson of Ormstown, Jhon Madur, George Dauison, Gylbart Wylyamson, Wyllyam Paterson, Jhon Paterson, Jhon of Crak, Thomas Haw, Dauid Donwethy, Jhon Scot, Dauid Robynson, Rychart Dickyson paris clerk, Patrik Dickeson, Robyn Dickeson, and Rob Dickeson, Wyllyam Dickeson of Wynkstown, Jhon Rychartson, Jhon Dauison, Rychart Twnnok, Martyn Balkeasky, Walter Blaklok, Harbart of Twede, the lard of Fulleeh, Symon Patonson, Andro Folkart, Thom Folkart, Wylyam Bullok, Cuthbert Glassan, Rob Foster, Thom Alane, Jhon Anderson, Wyll Alane, Jhon Alane, Robyn Mylner, Thom of Mortown Jhon of Crawfurd, James Brydyn, with wthir diuers.

8 *July* 1482.

Let of Walk Mill.

The qwhylk day, we Jhon Dickeson and Wylyam Dickeson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis in the tym, with the consent and assent of the consall and communite of the said burgh, we haf set to fewferm to Sir Gylbert Jamson chaplan and to Jhon Jamson his brother our Walk Myln standand on the south sid of the said buregh at the est end of Twed Grene, for all the termis and dayis of thair lyffis, and to the langar leffar of tham twa, for thre markis of annuall yeirly to be payit to the seruice of Sant Jhonis alter in the paroche kyrk of Sant Andro at twa termis in the yeir, that is to say, Witsonday and Mertymmes be ewyn portionis as efferis; the qwhylk set of our forsaid Walk Myln, with profittis that langis thairto, we forsaid balyeis consall and communite and our successouris to the forsaid Sir Gylbert Jamson and Jhon Jamson his brother sall warand mantein and defend. . . . . And gif it happynnis that the sayd myln be owr set with fludis or spattis that the dam brek owt, or to be owr cassyn with sand, than the balyeis andthe communite sall help the said Sir Gylbert and Jhon and caus the nychtbouris to help thaim to cast or to mend the dam agan qwhen it neidis. And this was don day yeir and place abon wirtyn, befor thir witnes, the said balye. . . . .

13 *October* 1482.

Let of common kiln.

The qwhylk day, Patrik Dickeson and Gylbert Wilyamson, balyeis in the burgh of Peblis that tym, in the tolbuth of the said burgh with the consall and hayll communite at thar court gaderit, with a hayll alection and be award of the said court, as set the common kylle in fewferme to Jhon Rychartson burges of the said burgh; and qwhen the court was don the said balyeis passit to the said kylle on the north sid Peblis Water, with certan nychtbouris, and thar Gylbert Wylyamson balye forsaid, be the deliuerans of erd and stan, gaf to the said Jhon Rychartson and tyll his ayris herytable stat sesing and possession of the said kylle with all profittis tharof. The said Jhon Rychartson, and his ayris sall pay yeirly of annuall for the said kylle thre schilling of vsuall mone to the tresurar and to the common purs of the said burgh: and the said Jhon Rychartson and his successouris sall wphald the said kylle sufficiand in wall rybbis and in ruf, and mak dew seruice and sufficiand to serwe the nychtbouris of the said

Lot of common kiln.

burgh in the drying of thar cornes, kepand euir ilkman his rowme as efferis sic lyk vs and wont as was keppit at the said kylle of befor, that is to say the drystar sall haf for ilk kyllfull tyll his seruice vj d. and his dynar with thy he mad gud seruice; and alswa the said Jhon for hym and his successouris was oblist to keip euere man his rowm at the said kylle as efferis and to defraud na personis in his defaut, but all nychtbouris and indwellaris of the said burgh to be obseruit and keipit ilk man in his rowm. Befor thir witnes Patrik Dickeson, ...

16 *May* 1484.

One the xvij day of Maij, the yher of God j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxxiiij, be Patrik Dikkisone ande Gilbert Uilyamsone balyais of Peblis, with sufficiant nowmer of nychtbouris to the vaill of xxxvj or may, within the toyboyth gaderit, was maid burges Thomas Bychat of the Chapelhill, na man thair present contrar hyme; and for his burges siluer he sall mak a but at the north end of the tone at the Lang Aker, and als gud as the gud toune makis the tother but; and suorne to the toune as efferis. Broch for his dewtis his hand and his land. Befor thir witness, . . .

16 *January* 1485.

Corn mills.

The xvj day of the moneth of Januar the yeir of God j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxxv yeris, befor Johne Dikeson and Johne Mador balyais of the burgh of Peblis that tym, within the tolboyth of that ilk one the hed curt day in iugment sittand, nixt efter Youill, with an sufficiand nowmer of the best and the worthiest of the said burgh, comperit Robart Mylnar and mekly besocht the saidis balyeis and communite tyll set tyll hym thar twa corne myllis for thre yeris to cum and he suld pay yerly to thaim thairfor fyfty merkis, and thairvpone he askit award of the curt, the said Robart ramowit, the curt awisit and wardit, the said Robart agan callit, thair opinly euere man be his awn vox nan constrenyait bot frely consentit and grantit the forsaidis twa corne millis with the pertinens to the said Robart Millar, payand thairfor yerly as vs is fifty merkis of gud and vsuall mone of Scotland of the saidis thre yeris, swa that William Alan wald gyf vp his takis and assedation the qwhilkis he haffis of the forsaidis twa corne millis and swa that he war plesit and assithit of all actions and quarellis twichand

hym the said William anentis the saidis millis; and one this wis the saidis balyais and communite haf set the twa saidis corne myllis to the said Robart Myllar as is abone expremit. Witnes the hayll cvrt. Corn mills.

3 *April* 1486.

The thrid day of Aprill the yher of j^{m} iiij^{c} lxxxvj yeris, in the heid curt efter Pas was maid burges, with the haill consent and assent of the communite, Thomas of Rekoson, and William Bellis land plegis for hym; and his deuitis to the guid toune, his burgis siluer, Mertyn of Baucaskey and the said William Bell sall haf, and tak ane another burgis at thay ples till haf maid, and thairfor thai sall big a gud sufficiand but at the north end of the ton one the Venlaw syde betuix this and Trinite Sonday nixt to cum. Witnes the haill court. Burges. Butts.

8 *May* 1488.

Thir ar the burgens maid be the balyais and the communite of Peblis in the tym, within the Tolboith, in the curt, etc.:— Burgesses.

Item, John the Vaich for ane hundreth laidis of stanys to be laid at the brig end of Twed.

Item, Adam Smeith for twa treis gevin to the brig at the tolboith ende, and sal pay v s. at the wil of the toun; plege for his dewiteis his awne land. Brig.

Item, John Cant and Symon Forstar for ilk ane of tham iiij^{xx} of ladis of stannys to the byggin of the Newark at the est end of Peblis. Newark.

Item, Wilyam of Twedy for ane chawder of lym to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

Item, Adam Fyldar for viij s. worth of yrne wark to the said stepil.

Item, Dauid Lowgh for fyf schillingis worth of wark to the said stepil byggin.

3 *October* 1491.

Item, that ilk day was maid burgen William of Twedy for ane chawder of lym to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

10 *May* 1492.

In the tolboith of Peblis, befor Mertin of Balcasky and Patrik Dikeson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communite was maide burgen Patrik Govane for ane hundreth laidis of stanuis pait to the stepil byggin. Stepil.

12 *November* 1492.

Stepil. In the tolboith befor Patrik Dikesoun and William Patersoun, balyais of Peblis in the curt sittand, with consent of the communite, was maid burges Robert Millar yonger, and sal pay thairfor to the byggin of the stepil at the Chapel gayl a chawder of lym.

The said day, Sir Thomas Gibson has gevin his compt of all sowmes of mone takyn be hym to the stepil bygin, the quhilk day restis awin to the said Sir Thomas of the kirk guddis viij li. and sex s.

Thomas Yong and Symon Lowgh grantit tham to be fowely pait be the town for fourty futtis of the stepil byggin and for all other fre wark pertening thairto ony way.

William Madour, the said day, grantit hym fowely pait be the town for all stanys winning and ledding of termes bygane to the said stepil, and als he grantit hym to haif rasaiffit fra Doutho Doby half a mark for saide leding.

Item, pait to Thomas Boyl be Sir Thomas Gibson for the wark pertening to the stepil xxv s.

19 *February* 1492.

Tolboith. In the tolboith of Peblis befor Patrik Dikesoun, balyie in that tym, was maid burges Mergret of Lyntoun for a mark of siluer pait to Symoun Lowgh, masoun, for the makyn of the benkis of the tolboith.

16 *April* 1493.

Newark. Befor Patrik Dikeson and William Paterson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, in the tolboith in the curt in iugment sittand, was maid burges John of Nesbet, and his burges siluer gevyn to Thomas Boyle for his drink siluer to the Newark at the est end of Peblis.

7 *April* 1494.

Stepil. In the tolboith of Peblis in the heid curt, befor Robert Dikeson and William Bel, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communite, was maid burgen John Drawar for ten s. pait to Patrik Lawson for the thekyn of the stepil at the west end of Peblis.

6 *October* 1494.

In to the heid curt in the tolboith of Peblis, befor Mertin of Balcasky and Patrik Dikesoun, with consent of the communite, was maid burgen Thomas Groseyr for x s. gevyn to the apperyling of the rud in the He Kirk. High Kirk.

14 *November* 1494.

The quhilk day, restis awing to Gilbert Williamsoun of lent siluer to the town, fyf pundis fyf schillingis and a penny. Pursmaster.

Item, the said day Gilbert Williamson was maid pursmaster for a yer to tak rasaif and to mak soir compt and raknyn of all commoun guddis pertening to the town.

The quhilk day, all prestis feis annuellis and dewiteis awing be the town of termes bygane at all completly pait and alowit to prestis and to Patrik Elphinston; and the first of the saidis common guddis at the said Gilbert sal rasaif and tak vp sal be the ten li. of the Candelmes terme nixt to cum of the twa corne millis. Prestis feis, annuellis and dewiteis.

Item, the said day restis awing to Thomas Boyle sevynten shillingis of the twelf pundis that war presentit to hym to complet all the treyn wark pertening to the stepil inwith and outwith as efferis. Stepil.

Item, the burromalis ar assignit to Sir Thomas of Crawfurde for his clerk fe and to Sir Patrik of Stanhows for his fe for the keping of the knok. Knok.

The volt of the Newark nixt Sir Thomas of Crawfurdis landis set to Wilyame Fyldar til Witsonday nixt tocum for sevyn schillingis. Item, the vmast loft of the said Newark is set to Georg Dauidson til Witsonday for sex schillingis and aucht penys to pay at Witsonday nixt to cum. Item, the loft and the south volt of the Newark ar set to Archibald Parkley til Witsonday nixt for ten schillingis of mayl. Newark.

17 *November* 1494.

Patrik Dikeson and Martin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis, with the consent of the communite, has conducit Thomas Boyle completly to werk and mak all the treyn and irne wark at is vnmaid within the stepyl of the Chapell gauil of Peblis, that is to say durris, wyndos, plantearis, loftis, clausuris, all lokkis, snekis, and al the irne wark and treyn wark nedful and behuffful pertening to the said stipil, at the town sal charge hym to mak, and al of his awne expens, and he sal mak the ruf of the turngreys completly al to the Stepyl.

Stepyl. thekyn, and the saidis balyais and communite sal pay to the said Thomas tharfor sex pundis of mone, and the said Thomas sal compleyt all the said wark betuix this day and the fest of the purification of our Lady nixt to cum, and of the saidis sex li. sal raman vnpait to the said Thomas fourty schillingis one to the tym at all the said wark be completit in all thingis as said is.

16 *May* 1495.

Peblis brig. Befor Patrik Dikesoun and Mertin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis that tym, in the tolboith, with a parte of the nychtburris thar beand present, wes maid burgen George Farnle for a chawder of lym to the mendyn of Peblis brig.

25 *May* 1495.

Burgess. Tree. Befor Mertin of Balcasky and Patrik Dikeson, balyais of the burgh of Peblis in that tym, in to the tolboith in the curt in to jugement sittand, with consent of the communite of Peblis thar being present, was maid burgen of the said burgh of Peblis Dauid Lawry, and his burgen siluer gevyn to Dauid Tait of the Pyrne; and thairfor the said Dauide promittit to help the town to the ledyn of ane tre and bringing of the sammyn with his oxvne to the tovne gyf he be chargit thairwith.

28 *April* 1496.

Burgesses. In the tolboith of Peblis befor Patrik Dikeson and Mertin of Balcasky, balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communite thar present, was maid burgen Oswald Ackyn for ten schillingis to be pait to the communite of Peblis at the nixt fest of the inuention of the Haly Crois callit Bellamtym.

Stepil. Item, the said day was maid burgen Andro Patrikson for ten schillingis gevyn to the glasyn of the west wyndo of the stepil at the Chapell gawil; plege for the saidis Androis dewiteis Patrik Patriksonis berne at the Chapel gawil at the est end of the Castelhil.

16 *January* 1496.

Sanct Androis Kirk. In to the heid court befor Patrik Dikeson and Andro Gibson, balyais of Peblis in that tym, in the tolboith of that ilk, with consent of the communite of the burgh of Peblis thar present, was maid burgen Robert Mathoson for

ten schillingis pait to Sir Andro Tait to get hym ane surples to cum into the queir of Sanct Androis Kirk of [Peblis] and help to syng mes and ewinsang. Sanct Androis Kirk.

2 *March* 1496.

Befor Patrik Dikesoun and Andro Gibsoun, balyais . . . . was maid burgen George of Myrra for ten schillingis pait for ole to the knok. Knok.

15 *April* 1497.

In to the tolboith of Peblis befor Andro Gibson, ane of the balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of ane parte of the communite thar present in the tym, was maid burgen William Gray, and for his burgen siluer ar bundin Robert Dikeson in the Northgait and Mertin Balcasky to mak ane but within xx^ti^ dais nixt to cum. But.

In the heid court, haldin be Patrik Dikeson and Andro Gibson balyais of Peblis in that tym, with consent of the communite thar present, was maid burgen Thomas Pont, for ane hundreth laidis of stanis to be laid at Tweed brige betuix this day and Lammes nixt to cum. Tweed brige.

The said day, was maid burgen Patrik Clerk, talyor, for xij s. gevin to David Lough for the makyn of the Venlaw dyk. Venlaw dyk.

14 *February* 1497.

In to the tolbouth, ... was maid burges Kate Walwod for fyf scor of ladis of stanys to be laid at Tweed brige for hir burges seluer. Tweed brige.

23 *April* 1498.

In to the heid court of Peblis, haldin in to the tolbouth of that ilk, be Patrik Dikesoun, Andro Gibsoun, balyais in to that tym, als it is statuit and ordanit be the balyais and communite that thar sal be nayn of the commoun set in tym to cum that lyis at the north end of Peblis breg, betuix the land of Thom Forester on the west part and the breg on the est part and Peblis Water on the south part and the gait that pas to Sanct Androis kirk on the north part, and this to reman for euir. Common ground.

28 *November* 1498.

The cont of the commoun guddis of the burgh of Peblis, maid in the Tol- Accounts.

Accounts. butht of that ilk, the xxviij day of the moneth of Nouember the yer of God, etc., lxxxxviij yeris, be Andro Gibsoun, resauar of the saidis gudis, befor Mertin Balkeske and Patrik Dekison balyeis, wyth a pairt of the best of the town, the quhilk dai al thing conttit and rekonit of al termes bygane, al prestis feis and otheris of al termes bygane pait and allowit, the quhilk day Gilbert Wilyhamsoun was maid tresorar for a yer.

Item, the first of the saidis commoun gudis at the said Gilbert sal resaif sal be as followis :

In the first, fra Patrik Dekisoun of the rest of the maillis of Cadmuir of the Mertymes terme bygane, ix s.

Item, fra Arche Perkleis wyf was [of the] maillis of the new hows and of the Dame-daill of the termes bygane, xv s.

Item fra Hew Dekison of his burges siluer, x s.

Item, fra Andro Murdison for his burges siluer, x s.

Item, Thom Pount for his burges siluer, a hundreth laid of stanis to Twed brig, dettour John Patersone.

Item, John Forar for his mawth, a rud of caussay.

Item, John Robesoun [William Bullolk and William Dekisoun, R. Wilkinson, Thom Wilkinson and Rob Wilkinson, x s. each.]

Item, fra Johnne Madour of his Cadmuir maill, half a mark of the yeir bygane.

Item, Johnne Lolkart half a mark at Witsondai for the mail of the wolt.

Item, fra Sir G. Jamson ij markis of the anwaill of the termes of the yer bygane.

Item, for William Alanis land at the brig ende, yerly vj laid of stanis in the brig.

Item, a wax candel in the pane befor our Lady in body of the chapell yerly for Bertilmos Youngis land j lib. of wax.

Item, ij d. of blanch ferme for the land of the Commoun Strudder, to be paat at Sanct Androis dai at the he mes to the balyas.

Item, Thom Nicolsouns land was xx s. of anwaill for the Commoun Strudder.

Item, xx s. of the Smythfeld of anwail for the Commoun Struder.

Item, half a mark of anwail of John Scottis land was yeirly to Sanct Androis pan in the queir.

Item, deliuerit to Gilbert Wilyhamsoun the dai abon writtin xx merkis of the Allhalo terme bypast of the mill maillis and his cont to gyf thairof at the nixt cont. Accounts.

Item, Sir Thomas Crawffurd hais pait al termes maillis bygan of the ester wolt and Witsounday to cum.

Item, deliuerit the self dai in gold and siluer to the said Gilbert vj s. and vj d. and Mertyn to mak rekning thairof at the nixt cont to cum.

Item, of Sir Johnne Hammksins land beyound the water of his kill, xx d. yerly.

14 *February* 1503.

The xiiij dai of the moneth of Februar the yer of God j^{m} v^{c} and iij yeris, Mertyne of Balkeskie and Adam of Peblis, balyeis of the burgh of Peblis, in the tolbuth of ilk wyth the hail communite gaderit, as statut and ordanit that thair salbe xxiiij of the best nychtburis of the towne chosing and sowrne to soit one acctions belangand the vtilite and comoun profit to the towne, and als to soit and rasaif the cont of thair comoun guddis and to fut the samyne, the quhilkis the namys ar vnder writting, wyth consent of the balyeis:—Johne of Crak, William Bell, William Roben, John of Lintoun, Robert Dekisoun, Adan Dekisoun, Patrik Patriksoun, John of Plenderlaith, Thomas Lorimar, Thomas Wilsoun, Thomas Gibsoun, Robert Dekisoun, Adam Smyth, Alexander Scot, Patrik Gillis, Andro Gibsoun, N. Dekisoun, John Bullok, John Lokart, Stewin Robisoun, John Allane, Andro Tnedy, James Wilyhemsoun, John of Mwr, Patrik Clerk. Council chosen.

The quhilk dai, it [is] statut and ordanit be the balyais and the gret dosone, the quhilk the namys ar abon writyn, that thair sal na comoun gud be deliuerit na gewin furth to na personis be na maner of way, nothir be the command of the balyeis na be the thesaurar, bot at thair salbe xvj personis or xij, or awch at the leist, of thir personis abone writtin, with the balyeis, for to caus the thesaurar deliuer the samyne, the quhilk personis sal subscrib the samyn wyth thair awne handis; and als gyf thair be ony feit to ony comoun werk it salbe befor the balyeis and the dosane, and thai sal or thai part wyth ony comoun gud tak sekir souerte for the complettin of the werk. Common good.

Parisch clerkschip.

Master Patrik of Twedy, wecar of Dunsire, restis awand to the towne vj duchattis, for the quhilk he is oblist to bring hame betuix this and Lammes a dispensatione to ane chaplane to bruik the parisch clerkschip, wnder the pane of xij duchattis to be payit to the town but fawauris.

19 *August* 1506.

Corn mills.

Be it kend till all men be thir present letteres, ws William Alane and Johne Lokart, bailyeis of the burgh of Peblis, wyth consent and assent of the hail communite of the samyn, consulie gaderit for the vtilite and commoun profit of our said burgh, wyth ane consent tho haf set and for mail lattyn and be thir present letteres settis and for mayl lattis tho our weil beluffit frendis Johne of Scaling, elder, and Johne Nicoll to thame twa, and to the langer leuir of thame twa, ane as baith and baith as ane, coniunctlie and seueralie, all and haill our twa corne millis and millyeris with thair sequelis and moulteris, that is to say our Ald Mil liand on the north sid our said burgh and the Rud Milne standand at the west end of our said burgh on the sowith sid the Castelhill, for all the dayes and termes of nyntene yheris nixt efter the dait of thir present letteres, and thair entre to be thairto at the fest of the Exaltatioun of the Crois callit the Rudmes in harwest [for payment of eighty merks scots yearly, the tenants upholding the mills at their own cost, having received "twa aykis and tene merkis of mone"] and thai sal cum and mak thair habitatioun in this town fra thair enteris furth at the fauouris of the town; and the said John and John sal find yerlie borois to the town at the heid court efter Pais, and thai sal kep rowmys to ilk man elyk as thai ar suor be thair gret aithis, and thai sal haif thair knaifschip as ws and wont was of befor statut be the towne, and thai sal haf thair molter to four and tuenty corne, alsua gyf thair be ony that passis away fra the saidis millis wythin the town duelland wyth thair corne or wetalis, quhar euir thai mai be ourtane or gottin wit of, thai sal pay dowble molter to the millaris. And gyf it happynis that thair be strublans be seknes or deid sa lang the profit of the millis that may be gottin salbe in the townis handis and the millaris dischargit salang. . . . .

1509.

Knok.

The quhilk day was maid burges William Tuedall and gyn to Sir Patrik for wle and cordis to the knok.

19 *April* 1511.

Chaplane of St Michellis alter.

The heid court of the burgh of Peblis, halding in the tolbuth of that ilk be James Williamsoun and Adam Dekisoun, balyeis of the sammyn, the xix dai of the moneth of Aprill the yer of God j^{m} v^{c} and xj yeris, the quhilk day maister Johne of Houston, chaplane of Sanct Michellis alter wythin the Parisch Kirk of Peblis, collectour to ane anniuersar.. . . . . (This ack of reunisioun, maid be master John of Houstoun, is express put furth at mar lenth in the court buk of ackis of the said burgh be the said clerk.)

31 *October* 1531.

Treasurer. Compt.

The communite ordanes v s. in tyme tocum alanerly to be gewyn to the commone clerk for the compt writing, quha euir be thesaurar, and that the burges siluer be drawin furtht of the buk and the said thesaurar chargit thairwyth.

16 *February* 1550.

Evidents pertaining to the burgh.

The euidentis pertenand to the burgh of thair commouns and vtheris thingis, copyit the xvj day of Februar the yeir of God ane thousand fif hunder and fyftye yeir to remane in memorial perpetuale.

In the first, ane charter gevine be King James the Ferde to the burgh of Peblis, with claus in the samyn to hald courtis, punys transgressouris, creat burgessis, wyth sindry vther priuilegis in the samyn.

Item, ane charter of the infeftmentis of the fredomes of the said burgh, with the propirte of Cadmur, Hammiltoun and Vinlaw, gevine be king James the Secunde.

Item, ane charter pertenyng to the toun of the bying of the boundis of the Forest.

Item, ane charter of tua akeris of Frank lande, wyth ane instrument of sesing of the samyn.

Item, ane charter of tua merkis of annuell of Sanct Leonarde land and ane instrument of sesing of the samyn.

Item, ane instrument of the fredom of the boundis of the Forest.

Item, ane discharg gevine be the Kingis grace, vnder his priue sele, of the fredome of the Forest.

Evidents pertaining to the burgh.

Item, ane decret geving be the lordis of consale that Cadmur pertenis to the burgh of Peblis alanerly and nocht to the larde of Gledstanis, vnder the testimoniale of the gret sele.

Item, ane instrument of sesing of xx s. of annuell rent of the Smythfeld pertenand to the toun.

Item, ane instrument of the first assedatioun of Cadmur, vnder Sir Andro Young, notare publice, subscription and signe manuale.

Item, ane instrument quhair vmquhill Thomas Lillay of Corscunnefeild declarit that he had na rycht nor entres in nor to the Vinlaw, vnder Sir Robert Peblis, notar publice, [signe] and subscriptioun manuale, berand the dait anno a nativite Domini millesimo quadringentesimo xxvij°

Item, ane instrument of sesing gevine be Johne Elphingstoun of the Squyarhaucht.

Item, ane instrument quhair the tenentes of Halyardis, Hundelishope, Cruxstoun, Vra, Meltoun and Marchedyk bande thamself neuir to intromet in tym tocum with the landis of Cadmuir.

Item, ane vther instrument quhair the saidis tenentes grantit thamself wrangusly to haif intromettit wyth the landis of Cadmuir.

Item, ane act quhair wmquhill James Gledstanis of Coklaw wes monist be the officiale of Tewiotisdale that he suld nother molest trubbill nor mak impediment, be himself nor nane vtheris person, the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis in the peciabill broukin of the landis of Cadmur bot sa fer as law will.

Item, ane deliuerance of inquest geving at the Justice Arc of Peblis, halding thair the xviij day of the monetht of Februar the yeir of God ane thousand iiij^{c} auchty and four yeiris, vnder thair selis, quhair thai fande that the communite of Peblis was in possessioun of teling and sawing bayth of the landis of Cadmur ande Commoun Strudur and that the cornis of Corscunnefeild and Kattorsane ar thirlit to multour the xl corn to the mylnis of Peblis and roim fre.

Et ita est. Willelmus Newbye notarius publicus ac communis scriba burgi de Peblis, sub meis signeto et subscriptione manualibus.

Ita est. Willelmus Newby, manu propria.

[And so it is. William Newbye, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Peebles, under my sign and subscription manual.

So it is. William Newby, with my own hand.]

18 *February* 1550.

Rental of common goods in 1506.

The auchtene day of the moneth of Februare the yeir of God ane thousand fife hundreth and sax yeiris. In the heide court, haldine in the tolboith of Peblis, be Andro Gibsoun and James Williamsoun, baillies of the samyn, it is deliverit be ane gret inquisitioun chosine and sworne befor the saidis baillies and passand furth riplie and degestlie awisit amang all vther statutis that Sir Patrik of Stanhous, chaplane and commoun writtare of the said burgh, publice notare, sall mak ane rentale of the commoun guddis of the said burgh in ane memoriale perpetuale in parchment, yeirly to be gevine in at the compt makine of thair commoun guddis, that it may be sene and vnderstanding quhat thair commoun guddis extendis to, haifand compt thairof as efferis; quhilk rentale of the saidis commoun gudis Johnn Stoddert and James Robesoun, baillies of the said burgh of Peblis, causit me Sir William Newbye to copy and insert in this buk of sesingis to haif firme faith and confidens in tym to cum, the xvj day of Februar the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} and fyfty yeiris.

In the first, set thair commoun tua corn mylnis to William Bell for viij^{xx} of merkis the yeir payand thairfor

Item, set thair walk mylne, togidder wyth the lande betuix the watteris, to Robert Hesilhop for xij merkis in the yer payand thairfor

Item, the custum to Johnn Napier flescheour, payand thairfor in the yeir xvij merkis half mark.

Item, the burro malis, v merkis.

Item, Johnne Waich land outouth the port, now Bell land, xij d. of annuell.

Item, Johnne Stewart land, xv d.

Item, Kerris barn ij s.; the prestis ij s.

Item, Neisbit barn, now Adam Henrisoun, xij d.

Item, Sir Johnne Hannikyn land, now the Croce Kyrkis, xx d.

Item, the Smythfeild, xx s. of annuell, yerly.

Item, James Frankis land xx s. yerly, and thair xl s. ar for the Commoun Struder, and tua d. in the yeir of blanchferm for the Commoun Strudir.

Item, the Dame-daile, xviij d. in the yeir.

Item, the Auld Kill that now Kyrkwode hes, iij s of annuell in the yeir.

Item, the wester wolt wnder the tolbouth, set for viij s. in the yeir of maile.

Item, the barn that wes William Allanis, now Johnn Wilsoun, ij s. of annuell in the yeir.

Rental of common goods in 1506.

Item, the land of William Lowis nixt the Chapell gauell, ane punde of wax for the vphalding of ane wax candill in the body of our Lady chapell of annuell.

Item, the land of wmquhill John Scottis, Johnne Heckfurdis yonger, vj s., and viij d for the vphalding of the wax candellis in the pane befor Sanct Andro in the queir.

Item, the land of wmquhill John Houstoun in the Croce Gait, xl d. in the yeir.

Item, John Edmond land now Scot land, xiij s. iiij d. in the yeir.

Item, the litill hous at Tuede Brighend, vj laid of stanis in the yeir to the brig werk

Item, Robert Hesilhop kyll and stepfat, iij s. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, William Chesholm yarde in the Auld Toun, iij s. vj d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, William Lowis stepfat, iiij d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, Alexander stepfat, iiij d. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, James Haldane land vj s. of annuell in the yeir.

Item, James Douchuell bark hollis, xvj d, of annuell in the yeir.

7 *June* 1551.

Composition for crimes.

Memorandum to the tovn of Peblis to tak ane compone for all thingis except thir actionis, that is to say, slauchter, murthere, rasing of fyre, commoun thift, and resetting of thevis in thair thiftus dedis, revissing of women and putting of handis in the Kingis, Quenis or Governour Maieste, and tratory.[1]

[1] In the register from which this entry is taken, and immediately preceding it, the following is written:—

Obitus domini Willelmi Newby prebendarii beati Michaelis Archangeli situati infra ecclesiam collegiatam Sancti Andree de Peblis qui obiit primo die mensis Septembris anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo lj°, cuius anime propicietur Deus quod opera et eius facta suprascripta fuerunt autentica. Finis operis domini Willelmi Newby notarii publici et communis scribe burgi de Peblis pro tempore. [Obit of Sir William Newby prebendary of St Michael the archangel situated within the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis, who died on the first day of the month of September in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty one, on whose soul may God have mercy, because his acts and deeds above written were true. End of the work of Sir William Newby, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Pebles for the time.]

The next leaf of the volume commences thus:—

In nomine Patris et Filii et Spiritus Sancti, Amen. Sasine facte per dominum Johannem Alline notarium publicum et communem scribam burgi de Peblis, electum, et creatum per ballivos burgenses et communitatem eiusdem post decessum quondam honorabilis viri domini Willelmi Newby, vltime scribe dicti burgi. [In the name of the Father Son and Holy Ghost, Amen. Sasines made by Sir John Allane, notary public and common clerk of the burgh of Peblis, elected and made by the baillies burgesses and community of the same, after the decease of the late honorable man Sir William Newby, last clerk of the said burgh.]

5 March 1554.

Dikesone of Winkestoun, Quhitchauch and Carcado Bank.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, protestit that the counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis suld nocht consult of the actioun requirit be him of his ansuer towart (the ansuer of) the Quenis gift that he had obtenit of the landis of Quhitchauch and Carcado Bank, quhilk is ane part and pertinentis of Glentres, bot in presens of thair superiour the provest, becaus it is ane commoun actioun and that he auch to be principale and sycht thair evidentis or thai gaif thair ansuer, and gif thai did in the contrare that it hurt nocht my lord privelege, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument.

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The ansuer geving be the communite of Johne Dikesone desyre towart the gift he hes obtenit of the landis abone writting, quhilk is ane part of Glentres and pertenis to the tovne of Peblis in commonte :—

James Robesone, baillie, disassentis that Johne Dickesone suld haif his desyre.

Rowe Scot, baillie, disassentis and reservis the pronuncing of his vot quhill my lord cuming ; and in presens of my lord, on the viij day of Aprile, the said Rowe dissassentit fra the said Johne desyre.

Johne Stodert referris him to the chartour and possessioune.

William Bell, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Peblis, Johne Cranstoun, James Gowane, James Wilson, Nicholl Wache, Andro Wychtman, Johne Napere, Thomas Grege, Mertyn Hay, Johne Wilsone, William Rechartsone, Thomas Dikesone, Patrik Gowane, Archibald Lowys, Dauid Robesone, William Andersone, William Cheisholme, Arthure Johnkesone, Thomas Cauerhill, James Haldane, Johne Stensone, Patrik Newtoun, Adam Hog, Johne Stensone elder, James Stensone, Dutho Robesone, Thomas Lowys, Johne Glaschen, James Murdck, Andro Robesone, Johne Lythquo, William Lowys, Andro Alexander, William Atzin, Johne Wilsone textour, William Kid, William Ewmond, Thomas Andersone, Thomas Thomsone, Peter Schiell, William Banerman, Thomas Thorbrand, James Douthell, Thomas Patersone, Johne Fresall, James Frank, Andro Alexander younger, James Crenyeane, Thomas Tuedy, Andro Ra, Stene Greif, Johne Scot, Johne Bullo, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Watsone, Johne Patersone, Johne Portus elder, Robert Hoppringill, Thomas Hopprin-gill, James Thorbrand, Johne Hog younger, Johne Hog elder ; all thir

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persones and nychtbouris abone writting disassentis *simpliciter* fra the petitioun and desyre of Johne Dikesoun, that he suld haif na entres to the Quenis graces gift purchest be him of the landis of Quhithauch and Carcado Bank quhilk is ane pertinentis of thair commonte of Glentres. And Johne lord Hay of Yester ratifiis and apprevis this ansuer abone writting, and disassentis thairfra *simpliciter*.

Johne Dikesone, younger, referris his ansuer to the chartour; gif the tovn haif ony rycht he will stand by it.

James Tuedy disassentis thairfra and the toun haif ane rycht.

Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, sayis at it is ane commoun weill and wald haif quit of the tovne sua thai haif ane rycht thairto.

Et ego, Joannes Allane, notarius publicus ac communis scriba dicti burgi de Peblis, supra scriptas responsiones prepositi ballinorum et communitatis antedictorum, approbo et ratifico, meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. [And I, John Allane, notary public and common clerk of the said burgh of Peblis, approve and ratify the above written answers of the provost bailies and community foresaid with my sign and subscription manual.]

Ita est. Jo^es^ Allane, notarius publicus ad premissa, manu propria.

8 *April* 1555.

Dikesone of Winkestoun.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone protestit that he knew nocht the tovn evident and allegit chartour and desyrit to se the samin, the quhilk the baillies refusit, and that the denegatioun thairof till him suld nocht hurt his gift that he had purchest of the Quenis grace quhill he knew thair allegit title thai haif to the landis contenit in the said Johne gift, and that the persut of the Quenis rycht be na preiudice till his fredome ay and quhill he se thair rycht.

To the samin ansuerit my lord provest, baillies and communite, that thai auch nocht to schaw na chartour nor euident to the said Johne be ressone that he wes party and na competent juge till thame, and als that he hes hurt his fredome be ressone that he hes purchest privat writtingnis aganis the tovn in hurt of thair commoun weill and incontrare the fidelite of his aith considering he wes ane sworne nychtbour.

Alsua, the said Johne protestit that the allegeance maid be my lord provest, baillies and counsale of Peblis, suld nocht hurt the said Johne fredome becaus the Quenis Graces precept that he hes obtenit is in generale till all and sindry havand entres thairto and nocht in speciale to the tovne, and that he is content to pretermit the Quenis tak sua the tovne haif ane rycht thairto, and that it is ignorant errour and nocht wilful, gif it be found ony, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument. Dikesone of Winkestoun.

The counsale chosing for commoun actiones setting forward: Robert Hoppringill, Patrik Gowane, James Wilsone, Nicholl Vache, William Bell, Thomas Cauerhill, John Dikesone thesaurer, William Cheisholme, James Frank, Thomas Tuedy, Andro Wychtman, William Kid, Andro Alexander, Thomas Hoppringill, William Dikesone, James Tuedy, Johne Portus, James Thorbrand, Dauid Robesone, Robert Heislope, Arthure Johnkesone, Johne Lithquo, Thomas Peblis, John Fresale, John Wilsone. Counsale chosing.

The counsale abone writting ordanis the baillies, accumpanit with certane honest nychtbouris, pas and mak thair wechtis, baith custum and wobstaris, les and mair, equale; and to deliuer the samin to John Wilsone, and caus the brethir of the craft vse thame and na vtheris, vnder the pane of forfalting of thair fredome. Wechtis.

Siclike, ordanis to atteiche the maltmen that duellis within the fredome of burgh to the nixt court for to mak and gif ane multer aith for the termes bygane, and fynd souerte in tyme cuming to kepe the actis maid of auld, vnder the pane of forfalting of thair fredome, or ellis to aggre with the tovne. The maltmen.

The counsale ordanis ane of the baillies, accumpanit with Robert Hoppringill, James Wilsone, John Wychtman, to ryde on Pasche Monunday to set forward all besynes thai haif ado, as thair fair dayis, Gledstanis besynes, letteres of the landwart merchandice, breking of our commoun of Glentres be Winkestoun, Eschelis, and trubling maid be Johne Stodert, and all vtheris that hes failyeit in vsing and breking of our said commoun. Common affairs.

The counsale ordanis tua of ilk quarter breik the laif of thair nychtbouris duelland within the fredom of burgh to the pissance of thair geir, viz., Robert Hoppringill, Patrik Gowane, for thair quarter; James Wilsone, William Bell, for thair quarter; Nicholl Yache, James Tuedy, for thair quarter; The brekaris of the wappynschawing.

The brekaris of the wappyn-schawing. Thomas Tuedy, Johne Fresall, for thair quarter; James Thorbrand and Johne Wilsone, for the Auld Tovn.

Portis, dykis. The counsale ordanis the portis and heid yaird dykis to be biggit sufficientlie incontinent.

Pette custumis. Siclike ordanis to get the copy of the petty custummis of Edinburgh that our custummis may be vsit thairby.

My Lord provest obligatioun to the town. The quhilk day, my lord provest is contentit with all thingis done this day be the baillies counsale and communite, and sall stand thairby, conforme till his aith maid quhen he wes admittit provest, in all materis concernyng commoun weill presentlie and in tyme tocum, and ratifijs all thingis forsaid, and thairupone the baillies counsale and communite askit act and instrument.

22 *April* 1555.

Court. The burro court of Peblis, haldyn in the tolbuth of Peblis, the xxij day of Aprile yere of God j^{m} v^{c} and lv yeris, be Rolland Scot baillie of the said burgh, the suttis callit, the court affirmit, the absentis in ane merciament, Andro Robesone, dempstare; Mongo Williamsone, Adam Gilleis, officiaris; and Sir Johne Allane, clerk.

Outland burgesses absent. The outland burgessis absentis: Patrik Thomsone, William Wache, Henry Hill, Johne Cunnyngame, Johne Scot, James Scot, William Wilsoun, Alexander Kirk, Thomas Gowane, Johne Robesone in Halkschawis, James Murdok, Johne Elphinstoun of Henderstoun.

Outland burgesses. The quhilk day, Patrik Thomsone, Alexander Kirk, Johne Thomsone, outland burgessis, wes warnit personalie in jugement to mak residence within the fredome of burgh, conforme to thair aith maid thairupone, betvix this and Witsonday, or ellis thai suld be dischargit of thair fredome.

Annual. The juge ordanit George Stodert, be his awne consent, to pay termelie to Jonet Scot, relict of vmquhile maister Johne Hay, the annuell of his hous at the brig and on the Castelhill in tymes cuming efferand to the deliuer-

ance of the actis maid afore the Thre Estatis of the brynt annuellis, and failyene that the said George Stodert pay nocht termelie the said annuell, sua that he failye thairintil thre termes, the said land sall returne agane frelie to the said Jonet and hir airis, conforme to the saising geving thairupone. Annual.

Inquisitio: William Cheisholme, Nicholl Wache, Johne Dikesone, Johne Cranstoun, Johne Stodert, Johne Fresall, Thomas Tuedy, Thomas Peblis, Johne Wichtman, Adam Hog, Patrik Newtoun, Thomas Cauerhill, James Thorbrand, Johne Wilsone textour, Andro Alexander, Johne Portus, William Robyn, Johne Stensone yonger, Arthure Johnekesone, Robert Hoppringill, Adam Dik. Inquest.

The quhilk day, William Kid producit the register of the testamentis within the jurisdictioun of Stobo, in the quhilk wes insert the testament of vmquhile Walter Huntare of Polmude, quhair Johne Huntare wes executour lauchfullie constitut and nominat be the mouth of the said vmquhile Walter, as wes contenit in the said vmquhile Walter testament, *ex data* xxiij die mensis Julii anno Domini etc., xlix°, apone the quhilk productioun the said William askit instrument. Huntare of Polmudes testament.

Andro Alexander younger, prolocutour for Thomas Alexander his broder, tuk instrument that maister William Newdry, scoilmaister, confessit that he band Thome Alexander handis in way of correctioun as he allegit as his awne disciple, and continewis the rest of the bill to the nixt court. Alexander contra Newdry, scholmaister.

3 *May* 1555.

Anno incarnationis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo quinto, die vero mensis Maii tertio, indictione decima tertia, pontificatusque sanctissimi in Christo patris et domini nostri domini Marcelli diuina prouidentia pape secundi anno primo. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus et discretus vir Proclamation as to faits and regraters.

In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-five, the third day of the month of May, the thirteenth indiction, and in the first year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord the Lord Marcellus the second by divine providence Pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared an honest and discreet man Mungo

Proclamation as to fairs and regraters.

Kentigernus Williamsone, officiarius in hac parte supreme Domine nostre Regine Marie Scocie, specialiter constitutus per suas literas sub eius signeto leuatas, accessit ad crucem foralem burgi de Peblis et ibidem solemniter proclamauit secundum vim formam et tenorem earundem literarum duas dies nouarum nundinarum viz. *lie fuir dayis* nuper erectarum in *liberam burgalem burgi* de Peblis pro omnibus et singulis mercanciis vendendis et emendis vt in confirmacione sub magno sigillo Supreme Domine nostre Regine latius continetur, viz., oues, boues, equos, pannum laneum et lyneum, latum et strictum, et omnes mercancias que vendi solent in aliquo burgo infra regnum Scocie in quibuscunque nundinis eiis affixis viz. in die apostolorum Petris et Pauli et Dionisii. Necnon alias literas super *lie regratoris* secundum formam et tenorem earundem proclamauit et similiter quasdam protectiones per dictam serenissimam Reginam directas proclamauit trina vice secundum ritum et consuetudinem regni solitam in similibus ne aliqui vicini adiacenti dictum burgum de Peblis inhabitatores seu ciues eiusdem aut eorum seruitores in eorum pacifico passagio quocunque itinere semita via solita et consueta pertinebant vexant molestant aut inueniant in temporibus futuris sub penis in huiusmodi literis et protectionibus contentis ; vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis dictus Kenti-

Williamson, officer in that part of our sovereign lady Mary Queen of Scotland, specially constituted by her letters expede under her signet, and went to the market cross of the burgh of Peebles, and there solemnly proclaimed, according to the strength form and tenor of the said letters, two new fair days lately erected within the freedom of the burgh of Peebles for the buying and selling of all kinds of merchandise, as is more fully contained in the confirmation under the great seal of our Sovereign Lady the Queen, viz., sheep, oxen, horses, woolen and linen cloth broad and narrow, and all kinds of merchandise which are wont to be sold in any burgh within the kingdom of Scotland on either of the fairs on the appointed days, viz., on the days of the apostles Peter and Paul, and of Dyonisius. As also he proclaimed certain other letters concerning regraters according to the form and tenor thereof, and likewise proclaimed three times certain protections directed from our foresaid Sovereign Lady, according to the use and wont of the kingdom observed in like cases that no neighbour adjacent to the said burgh of Peebles should vex molest or prejudice in time coming the citizens or inhabitants thereof or their servants in their peaceful passage by accustomed roads on any journey under the penalties contained in the said letters and protections ; as to me notary public underwritten clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry the said Mungo Williamson, officer in that part, specially con-

gernus Williamsone officiarius in hac parte specialiter constitutus super proclamatione huiusmodi literarum et protectionum nomine et ex parte prepositi balliuorum consulum et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri et tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec apud crucem foralem dicti burgi de Peblis, horam circiter vndecimam ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem prouidis et discretis viris: Johanne Hendersone, Willelmo Vrie burgensi de Edinburgh; Patricio Murro, Willelmo Paton in Traquair, Leonardo Robesone, Patricio Tait in Innerlethane et Thoma Scot in Aikwod, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis. Proclamation as to fairs and regraters.

stituted for proclaiming the said letters and protections, in name and behalf of the provost baillies councillors and community of the said burgh of Peebles asked from me notary public subscribing one or more public instrument or instruments to be made and delivered to him. These things were done at the market cross of the said burgh of Peebles, about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written, being there present honest and discreet men: John Henderson, William Vrie burgess of Edinburgh, Patrick Murro, William Paton in Traquair, Leonard Robesone, Patrick Tait in Innerlethane and Thomas Scot in Aikwod, with divers other witnesses specially called and required to the premises.

4 *May* 1555.

The burro curt of Peblis, haldin in the tolbuth of that ilk, be the provest, baillies, counsale and communite of the said burgh. . . . . Court.

Assisa: Robert Hoppringill, Johne Stodert, James Wilsone, Robert Hesilhope, Johne Dikesone, Thomas Bell, Thomas Hoppringill, Johne Stensone younger, James Frank, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Cauerhill, William Kid, Johne Wilsone, Johne Fresall, Andro Alexander younger. Assisa.

The quhilk day, James Stensone and Stene Greif ar chosing to collect and gadder the multure of the commoun milnis quhill Lammes day at xij houris nixt heirefter followand, and to mak just compt and payment thairof to the provest baillies counsale and communite of the said burgh. Multures.

William Dikesone confessioun.

William Dikesone of Winkestoun confessit in jugement that he wald stand with the commoun weill of the tovne to fortify the samin to his vter power in all thingis, nochtwithstanding ony contrare part Johne Dikesone, his sone, wald purches in contrare the tovne or thair liberte and fredome.

6 *May* 1555.

Court.

The burro curt of Peblis, haldyn in the tolbuth of that ilk, be Rowe Scot baillie of Peblis. . . . .

Assisa.

Assisa: William Dikesone of Winkestoun, Johne Wychtman, Thomas Tuedy, Laurence Horsbruk, James Gowane, Andro Alexander younger, Adam Dik, James Stensone, James Haldane, Johne Portus, William Kid, Johne Cranstoun, William Cheisholme, Stene Greif, William Dikesone elder, Thomas Hoppringill, Johne Dikesone, Patrik Gowane, Robert Hoppringill, Nicholl Wache.

Broyntoun, replegiacio.

The quhilk day, Alexander Tait of Pirne, scheref deput of Selkirk, replegit Helene Broyntoun fourth of this court to the scheref court of Selkirk to be haldyn on the (*blank*) day of Maii instant and gaif his aith to do justice, and fand Thomas Tuedy souerte to do the samin in all actioun and besynes that William Cheisholme hes to say aganes hir, and the said lard souirte to releif him.

Murro burgen. Robene Hude.

The quhilk day, Robert Murro wes creat burges and mad his aith as vse is, and fand his hand and his land to do thai thingis that concernit till his aith for scotting lotting walkyng warding gud rewill keping, and to pay his burges siluer to my lord Robene Hude.

Stodert, confessio.

Johne Stodert younger, prolocutour for his fader, confessit in jugement that he tuk fra Robert Andersone and Mertin Craufurd thair spadis quha wes vsand casting of tirvis at the counsale and communite command on the Sonysyde, as ane part and pertinentis of thair commonte, and thairupone the baillie and communite for the tyme askit instrument and act of court.

The dettis of the tovne.

The inquest ordanis all dettis and restis of comptis to be payit instantlie as may be gotting in, baith of milnis, Caidmuir males, and annuellis that is awand, and all dettis quhatsumeuer, to set fordward the tovn besynes be the baillies and commissionariis direct thairto in Edinburgh, and ordanis the baillies to poynd thair gudis thairfor be thair officiaris.

The inquest ordanis ane kepar to be put to the Venlaw, and all cattell scheip and nolt be dischargit thairof baith nycht and day, except alanerly hors and sowkkand stirkis, and that na gudis be layit thairon nouther scheip nor nolt vnder silence of nycht, vnder the pane of ane vnlaw; and hes ordanit Eduard Pount to be feyit and pay him for his lawbouris, auld vsit and wont, quha acceptit the said Venlaw keping and fand Joke Patersoun sourte that na thing suld gang wrang nor na cornes eting bot that he suld mend on his awne expensis. The Venlaw, souerte.

The inqueist ordanis the nychtbouris to pas efter the rising of court and vesy the feildis of Sonyside, quhilk is ane part and pertinentis of thair commonte of Glentres, quhilk pertenis to the liberte and fredome of thair burgh of Peblis instantlie, and to vse thair possessioun thairof vsit and wont, and ordanis all nychtbouris that takis part thairintill to be chargit be the officiaris to pas with thair baillies counsale and communite to vesy the samin, vnder the pane of forfalting of thair fredome. Vesying of the Sonyside.

27 *May* 1555.

The baillies counsale and communite ordanis ane man to be conducit to feid and pasture thair yeild nolt in thair commonte of Glentres als sone as thai may, and mak him ane ressonable fee thairfore as he and thay can aggre. Glentres.

The burro court of Peblis, haldin in the tolbuth of that ilk, be Rolland Scot, baillie . . . . . Court.

The quhilk day, Charles Geddes protestit for the copy of the erectioun and fundatioun of the Geddes Ile, and the baillies said thai wald avise thairwith or thai gaif thair ansuer; and forthir the said Charles desyris the provest baillies counsale and communite to vphald repair and big the Geddes Ile conforme to thair euidentis maid thairapone, and assigne ane certane day to gif him ane ansuer. Geddes contra the towne.

The quhilk day, William Dikesone of Winkestoun comperand in jugement disassentit fra all molestatioun or trubbling purchessing of privat writtingnis aganes the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis towart the gift of Quhithauch, Carcado Bank at the west end of Glentars, be Johne Dekesone his sone and apperand air, and quhatsumeuery thing the said Johne dois thairintill that he incure na skaith thairthrow Communitas contra Dikesone.

Communitas contra Dikesone.

nouthir in his body gudis nor heretage or fredome of the burgh, and is content to cum in the tovn will that thair be ane certane newtrale men leist suspect, to the nowmer of viij or ix persones, to consider the merchis betuix his heretaig of Winkestoun and the commonteis of Gleutars for the weill of baith the partiis, and as beis concludit and decernit be the saidis viij or ix newtrale men to stand thairby in tymes cuming as can be sickerlie deuisit with men of law, and be the tennour heirof cumis instantlie in the tovn will.

Common ground.

The haill inqueist ordanis Andro Kirkhope bill to be fulfillit, and to gif him saysing of xx futtis of the commoun ground to be ane yard for ane penny the fut of annuell yerelie, efter the rite of the burgh.

Stallanges.

The inquest ordanis the stallanges to be broking, auld vsit and wont, and ordanis ane certane of the honest men of all crauftis to breik the samin.

Nychtbouris. Wallis.

And ordanis the nychtbouris quhen thai rise furth of court to vesy William Bannerman and Thomas Hoppringill wallis pleable betuix thame.

Scollmaister.

The haill inquest ordanis the skoill maister to be conducit for ane yere, and to mak him payment of his wages bygane, and the baillies to caus him be payit in tymes cuming half quarterlie, and to provide him ane chalmer quhair it may be gotting maist conuenient togidder with the tolbuth to teche his barneis in that redis and writting Ynglis.

The toun actioun.

The inqueist ordanis the tane of the baillies, with the clerk, pas doun to Edinburgh on Thursday, and ane dossone of honest men to pas done on Saturday be viij houris on thair awne expensis, and to get in all the money thai may, baith of mihnis dettis and vtheris restis, for thair furnissing.

Louch and Stewart in wrang.

The inqueist findis William Louch in the wrang in takyn of Matho Bell quhingare quhen thai wer cumit fra thair play; and the maist part of the inqueist findis Andro Stewart in the wrang for stryking of William Louch quhen he tuk Matho Bell, howbeid that he wes reddand thame.

Lord Yester, repledging.

Charles Geddes, baillie to my lord Yester, replegit James Tuedy of Frude furth of this court to his court of Oliuer Castell, and fand Thomas Peblis souerte that he suld haif justice in the said court the (*blank*) day of Junii nixt tocum, and maid his aith as vse is to do thame justice the said day, and failyene thairof to cum agane to this court, and the said Charles Geddes and James Tuedy souerte to releif the said Thomas.

The depositiones of the provis betuix Cheisholme and Thomsone: Alexander Lauder, spousit, of the age of xl yeris or thairby, sworne and admittit, deponis that Patrik Thomsone said to William Cheisholme on his baxstare within the burgh of Peblis, in the yere nixt efter the tovne wes brynt, that he bad him say that he had sauld him thre oxin and ane cow and he suld warrand him the said nolt sua he wald say he had sould thame till him, for he had doung thame in our mony mennis heidis ellis, and kennis na price thairof. Depositions witness.

The quhilk day, James Robesone and James Wilsone, commissionariis for the toun, hes grantit and maid thair comptis of the gudis ressauit be thaim for to rais the greit and prive seill and our Souerane Lady letteres and commissioun anentis the commonteis, and the said commissionariis grantis thaim to haif debursit mair nor thai had in pose geving to thame be the thesaurare xxxiij s. x d. the first tyme and xxxv s. at the last diet; quhilk thai wer superspendit the xvij day of May and to ansuer James Wilsone wife, to be ansuerit of malt in his absence for the said sovme quhill it be payit, and als to ansuer Sir Johne Allane of xj lib. that he lent to thame to gif maister Johne Hay and Sir Thomas Bathcat. Commissioners' expenses.

15 *July* 1555.

The baillies hes tane vpone hand to pay the minister and convent of the Croce Kirk the sovme of xxvj s. of the restis of thair compone. Conventus Sancte Crucis.

The juges ordanis the thesaurare to pay Katherine Dikesone the sovme of (*blank*) for aill and breid tane fra hir at Tuede brig mending, within terme of law, and ordanis the said sovme be justle calculat and thairefter payment to be maid. Tuede brig.

The deliuerance of the inqueist:—Item, it is statut and ordanit that all flescheouris bring thair flesche to the mercat croce on ather syde of the gait betuix the croce and Dene gutter, and that thai blaw nane thairof nor yit let it doune nor score it vnder the pane of viij s. Flescheouris.

Item, thai ordane all regratouris, as thai ar apprehendit, or forstakers to be pvnist conforme to the actis of parliament and panes contenit thairintill. Regratouris and forstakaris.

The haill inquest ordanis that na nychtbouris of the toun solist nor caus men of law to cum to procure ane aganes ane vther in tyme cuming for Men of law.

Men of law.

quhatsumeuery actioun, except it be on brevis raisit of heritage alanerlie, vnder the pane of forfalting of thair fredome for euir.

Commoun besynes.

The haill inquest ordanis the baillies to caus thair officiaris gadder in the restis of all males, annuellis, dettis, baith of Commoun Struthir, Caidmure males and milnis awand, that the samin may be reddy in the thesaurare hand to set fordwart commoun besynes thai haif ado in Edinburgh afore the lordis, and ordanis the baillies with v or sax nychtbouris euery tyme about as the counsale thinkis expedient to be ordourit for addressing of thair besynes.

Actions to be defended.

The haill inquest ordanis the provest baillies counsale and communite to be bound, vnder the forme of instrument to be subscriuit with thair handis that can writt and with thair handis led at the pen be the notare vnder writting that can nocht writt, to defend the caus and actioun of thair commontie dependand betuix the toun, my lord Mortoun and lord Borthik, with thair bodyis and gudis vnto the finale end and decisioun of the samin, and ordanis this to be done with all diligence.

Dikesone and the toun.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, be his awne consent, hes dischargit him of his fredome and liberte of the burgh of Peblis and renuncit the samin, and be the tennour heirof renuncis the samin and als the compromit maid betuix him on that ane part and the provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis on that vther part for his awne part alanerlie in absence of his fader, becaus his men chosing for his part hes nocht tane the said mater apone thame.

And the said day my lord provest baillies counsall and communite ar content to stand at the compromit maid betwix him and thame in the tolbuth of Edinburgh afore thair junges, and siclike at the compomit maid in the Croce Kirk nochtwithstanding the descharge of the said [compromit] maid of before, and protestit that thair part of the compromit mycht haif proceis and letteres monitoriales raisit on the said Johne be vertu of the said contract subscriuit with his hand at the Croce Kirk the xj day of July.

The said day, Johne Dikesone wes newlie creat burges, nochtwithstanding the dischargeing of his fredome of his awne consent, and maid his aith as vse is as he did of before.

29 *July* 1555.

The inqueist findis Besse Watsone is in the wrang in striking of Cristiane Bell with ane stop on the heid quhilk raisit ane clour thairon, and findis na blude; and thairupone Johne Wychtman askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court, and inlikemaner John Lithquo protestit for rolment of court. Besse Watsone.

The baill inquest fyndis Charle Thomsone in the wrang for inuading of Johne Mathosone wife in hir awne hous at vij houris at ewin, and becaus he was repugnant to gang to the tolbuth efter he wes chargit be the officeris, and ordanis the baillies to pvnis the samin induring thair will in exempill of vtheris. Charle Thomsone.

And tuiching the cornes rubbing, referris the samin to the actis maid of auld. Cornes rubbing.

30 *September* 1555.

The burro and heid court of Peblis, haldyn in the Tolbuth of that ilk, be ane nobill and potent lord Johne lord Hay of Yester, provest of the said burgh; James Robesone and Rowe Scot baillies. . . . . Heid court.

Absentes of the outland burgessis; Patrik Thomsone, William Vache, Henry Yule, Johne Cunyngame, Johne Scot, James Scot, William Wilsone, Alexander Kirk, Thomas Gowane, Thomas Smyth, Johne Robesone, James Murdok, Johne of Elphingstoun, Alexander Wod, Thomas Elphingstoun of Mannisland. Outland burgesses.

Electi pro balliuis fiendi: Robert Hoppringill, Johne Wychtman, James Tuedy, Nicholl Wache, Mertyn Hay, William Cheisholme. [Opposite to the names of Robert Hoppringill and Johne Wychtman there are placed respectively thirty-five and thirty-six strokes of the pen, indicating the number of votes accorded to each. James Tuedy has one vote and the others have none. Hoppringill and Wychtman are accordingly] chosing baillies sworne and admittit. Baillies.

The quhilk day, my lord provest was chosing as of before be the baillies counsale and communite, and maid his aith thairupone, conforme to the statutis and actis of the burro lawis. Provost.

Clerk. The quhilk day, Sir Johne Allane was creat clerk to vse the office thairof lelelie and trewlie ay and quhill he be dischargit.

14 *October* 1555.

The kirk. The inquest ordanis the baillies and nychtbouris pas to the kirk and sycht the samin with witty men to se quhow it may be biggit, and thairefter to conduce ane workman for to se the samin.

The briggis. The inqueist ordanis the baillies gang vesy the briggis and calsayis thairof gif thai be sufficient vphalding be the dichtaris as thai promist, and to caus thame mend all failyeis sufficient, quhilkis beand mendit to se gif thai will vphald the samin, and failyene thairof to discharge thame and cheis vtheris in thair places.

Clay hollis. And als ordanis Andro Wychtman to caus fill vp the holis with erd or gravall quhair he tuk the clay till his kill bigging, incontinent, becaus the fludis ar cummand on hand.

Ane verray gud commoun act. Item, the haill inquest ordanis tua vesitouris to be maid and chosing perpetualie to vesy yeirlie in tyme cuming all properteis and commonteis pertenyng to the liberte and fredom of burgh at the streking of the plewis yerelie, betuix Sanct Lucas day and Mertymes, and at harrowis streking, gif ony thairof be telit be nychtbouris adiacent, that the samin may be resistit in tyme, and referris the chesing of the said vesitouris to the baillies; and to warn all thame that hes broking ony land in common gaittis or passages, baith Kirklandis, Kinglandis, Acomfeildis and Briglandis, incontinent herefter that the samin ly still in tyme cuming conforme to auld vsit and wont, as the auld merchis thairof standis, vnder the pane of dischargeing of all fremen, occupyaris of the saidis landis, that dissobeyis this statut of thair fredome and secluding of thame fra all counsale in tyme cuming.

The waches. Item, ordanis tua wechis to be maid nychtlie at the baillies devise quhill thai be forthir avisit, and ordanis thame till enter at viij houris at ewin and remane quhill iiij houris in the mornyng, vnder the pane of viij s.

The aill. Item, siclike thai ordane Johne Robesone and Eduard Dikesone to be aill cunnaris, and that all aill ourheid be maid gud and sufficient aill for iiij d. the pynt, vnder the pane of viij s. the first falt, deling of the aill the

secund falt, and stryking furth of the ers fut the thrid falt and depriving of brewing for ane yere. The aill.

Item, ordanis all hempt and lynt to be removit furth of Peblis Watter to vther law placis for corrupting of the watter, vnder the pane of eschaeting of the samin to officeris, and that the officeris put away the samin, vnder the pane of depriving of thame of thair offices. Hempt and lynt.

Item, ordanis all merchandices vtouth the tovn and outland burgessis to be warnit to cum within burgh and mak thair change merchandice and residence, or ellis to be dischargit of thair fredome and liberte in tyme cuming fra the nixt heid court efter Sanct Mongo day nixt to cum. Outland burgessis and merchandis.

Item, ordanis ane of the baillies, and the commoun clerk with him, pas to Edinburgh and caus rais ane precept to heir the actioun and caus dependand before the juges in Edinburgh to proceid, and to speik with juges, membris of court, Maister James M'Gill and James Patersoun, quhat is done betuix ws and my lord Mortoun. Actioun. Lord Mortoun.

The counsale chosing for this yere and sworne: My lord provest; Robert Hoppringill, John Wychtman, baillies; James Robesone, Rolland Scot, Johne Dikesone thesaurare, Robert Hesilhope, Thomas Bell, Patrik Gowane, James Wilsone, William Chesholme, James Tuedy, James Frank, Thomas Cauerhill, Thomas Peblis, Johne Wilsoun textour, James Thorbrand, Niholl Vache. The counsale.

The inqueist ordanis all actis and statutis maid of ald anentis heidyardis, syde dykis, kaill, petis, tirvis, pulling of cornes and pykaris, to be ordanit be the auld actis maid of before. Acts and statutes.

30 *October* 1555.

Item, the inqueist ordanis four wechis to be nychtlie, enterand at viij houris, and remanand quhill iiij houris in the mornyng, vnder the pane of viij s., and thai till aduerteis the baillies quhen thai enter and siclik quhen thai gang to thair beddis. Watchis.

The inqueist ordanis the teling of Hammiltoun to be referrit to the baillies, and thai to speik to my lord to se gif he will tak ane pairt thairof, for it is the haill communite desyre and mynde it be telit. Teling of Hammiltoun.

31 *October* 1555.

Multures. Electi pro molendinis: Dauid Robesone, William Bannerman, Robert Hesilhope, Arthure Johnkesone. [Robesone and Johnkesone, having received fourteen and eight votes respectively,] thir tua ar chosing be the baillies and communite to collect and gadder thair multuris of the tua commoun milnis, and to ansuer the thesaurare thairof for the tyme ay as it is gotting in, that he may thairwith set commoun werkis and besynes forwart, as the ordinance and deliuerance of the counsale and communite thinkis maist conuenient and ganand for the commoun weill, for the winter quarter begynnand at Alhallo day quhill Candilmes nixt heirefter.

2 *November* 1555.

Scoilmaister. The baillies and the haill communite of the burgh of Peblis ordanis to ansuer maister William Newdry, scoilmaister, of thre pundis of money for the termes bygane at Mertynmes nixt tocum, and half quarterlie in tymes cuming, as the rolment of court maid the xxvij day of Maii last bypast; and thairfore oblissis him to remane and teche the scoill and barneis sufficientlie in tymes cuming, and gif it beis fundyng that he pas fra the teching of the barnes in the scoill four dayis without licence of the baillies and counsale he sall tyne his fe restand, and siclike salbe dischargit of his seruis incontinent thairefter; and this present act to be sufficient warnyng heirto in tyme cuming with consent of baith the partiis.

9 *November* 1555.

The compt of commoun gudis. The compt of the commoun gudis of the burgh of Peblis, tane be Johne Wychtman, ane of the baillies of Peblis for the tyme, in absence of my lord provest and his colleg Robert Hoppringill, and the counsale and communite of the said burgh warnit be opping proclamatioun to cum and heir thair thesaurare, Johne Dikesone, to mak his compt as vse is. The quhilk thesaurare comperand in the tolbuth of Peblis before the said Johne Wychtman, baillie as said is, counsale and communite of the said burgh, the ix day of Nouember the yeir of God $j^{m}v^{c}$ and lv yeris, the said thesaurare chargit him with $v^{xx}xvj$ li. iiij s. ix d. of the multuris of the tua commoun milnis, and with xiij li. v s. v d. of Caidmuir malles, and with xxxiiij s. viij d. of annuellis and burges siluer, and with viij s. vj d. of staulanges, and with xij li. for the

small custumes: Summa of the haill charge is vij^{xx}iij li. xiij s. iiij d. and discharges him with vij^{xx}j li. xviij s.; sua he is restand to the provest baillies counsale and communite xxxv s. quhilkis the said baillie ordanis to be deliuerit to Rolland Scot, thesaurare, quha wes electit thairto the said day be the baillies counsale and communite, togidder with the restis of Caidmur males, annuellis of Commoun Struthir and Johne Scot annuell. The compt of commoun gudis.

Item, the said day, Sir Johne Allane v li. that he payit to Sir Thomas Bathcat, quhilk the baillie borrowit fra him to set thair besynes fordwart, is nocht comptit, nor yit the xxxvij s. quhilk he gaif for dailis in Leith to mend the schete of the Rude Milne with, [nor] yit is payit till him xij libris of annuell of Sanct Johne altare of termes bygane, and ordouris to pay him the samin of the reddiest of the commoun gudis and yerelie and termelie in all tymes to cum, and thairupone the said Johne desyrit act of court.

2 *December* 1555.

Sir Johne Wilsone, vicare of Eddilstoun, collectour to vmquhile Sir Thomas Hay *dirige*, desyrit the baillies to caus poynd and strenye vmquhile Eduard Patersone land lyand within the burgh of Peblis for xiiij s. of annuell quhilk is infeft for doing yerelie of the said *dirige*, and desyrit to haif payment thairof conforme to the actis maid be the Thre Estatis of the brint annuellis, and to haif the juges ansuer thairupoun, the quhilkis juges ansuerit and said thai wald consult heirapone betuix this and the heid court efter Sanct Mongo day and thairefter suld gif him ane ansuer of ratificatioun of the samin, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument. Brint annuellis.

The haill inqueist ordanis in tyme cuming that gif ony landis within the fredome of burgh failyeis and fallis done waist that the samin happyn to be reconist, sua the said landis being reconist happynnis to be analit, that the saidis landis be ropit at the mercat croce thre courtis, and thai till haif thame that will gif maist thairfore, providing allwayis that the air that hes maist rycht thairto be first seruit, gevand als mekle thairfore as ane vther; and siclike ony commoun landis of the tovn to be obseruit in like maner in tyme cuming. Waist and commoun landis.

4 *December* 1555.

The pykaris tane vp be Robert Hoppringill and Johne Wychtman baillies, in absence my lord provest, with avise of the haill communite:— Pykaris.

Pykaris.

Isabell Myre is ane commoun pykare of kaill, and was apprehendit on the thrid day of December instant vnder silence of nycht takkand away tirvis quhilk pertenit to Johne Murro in Ald Tovne, quhilk fand William Lowith souerte that scho nocht do sic thingis in tymes cuming, nor yit do ony nychtbour skaith or hurt in tyme cuming, in ony of thair gudis quhatsameuir, nor commit na pykery, vnder the pane of xx lib., to be payit without remissioun, and banissing of the tovn, and to be brynt on the face with ane irne the first falt, and the secund falt vnder the pane of deid.

Thomas Johnsone, for the takin of ane hen in ane winling of stra furth of Robert Hoppringill, and is reput and suspectit for ane commoun [pikare] of caill, to that taking he wes apprehendit on the first day of December instant with Patrik Gowane caill quhilk he tuk furth of his yard, and siclike his wife Merioun Moffet is ane commoun pikare of fulis, and Mertyn Craufurd becom souerte for thame vnder the panes foirsaid.

Cristian Faitle, suspectit for pyking of hennis and als for takyn of ane sark fra James Stewart quhilk he tuk of hir bak quhen scho wes werand it.

Robert Murdok, ane commoun pykare and draware of corne stakkis, and siclike Jonet Hendersone his wife suspectit for the pyking of Johne Tod and Mongo Williamsone dukis quha fand Rowe Scot, souerte. . . . .

Katherine Andersone, for meill takyn furth of Johne Dikesone sellare in anno etc. I° to the quantite of tua pekkis, quhen his gud moder wes at the mes on the Sonday.

Johne Walter, for the trystyng of Gilbert Young, seruand to Johne Dikesone, to sell his maister stray till him and he suld gif ane pynte aill.

20 *January* 1555.

Discharging of the outland burgesses.

The quhilk day, my lord provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis producit in jugement, be Mongo Williamsone and Adam Gilleis thair officiaris, ane precept dewlie execut and indorsat apone the xxvj day of the moneth of Nouember yere of God etc. lv°, makkand mentioun that it wes humlie menit and hevelie lamentit to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communite and vtheris nychtburis and fremen of the said burgh, that the samin burgh wes infeft of auld be our Souerane Lady and hir maist nobill progenitouris and predecessouris in fre burgh regale, with fre power liberte and facultie within the samin to haif ane mercat day wolklie on

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Tusday, with power to sell walx wyne wolling and lynning claith, braid and narrow, and all vtheris merchandice lesum, and to haif within the samin burgh baxstaris broistaris fischaris flescheouris prepararis of fische and flesche, and all vtheris craftismen belangand to ane burgh regale, and provest baillies officiaris within the said burgh for gouerning thairof till elect and cheis, and to set the burro rudis belangand to the said burgh for the weill thairof, as the saidis complenaris thinkis expedient, as at mair lenth is contenit in thair infeftment maid and geving to thame thairupone vnder our Souerane Lady progenitouris greit seill, makkand mentioun that the said burgh communite thairof and thair successouris ar infeft of auld of our said Souerane Lady maist nobill progenitouris of gude mynde, quham God assoilye, in all liberteis saisingnis privelegis and vtheris possessiones vsit be thame and thair predecessouris of before, etc.; nochtwithstanding thair is certane thair burgessis and nychtbouris, chosing and electit be thame and thair predecessouris, that vses the saidis liberteis vtouth the liberte of the said burgh, and will nocht cum and mak thair change merchandice and residence within the said burgh conforme to thair creatioun, and thairthrow vsurps our Souerane Lady lawis maid thairupone as foirstallaris, vsand pakking and peling, and euery landwart tovn vtouth the liberte of the said burgh within the sherefdome of Peblis vsis dailie change and merchandice, baith lynt tar irne woll hyde skyn beir malt meill, and thairthrow abstractis the proffitis and change fra the said burgh to thair hevy dampnage and skaith, quhairthrow our Souerane Lady custummis ar defraudit and our said burgh depauperat and heriit, that na dow nocht to sustene the importabill taxationes raisit vpone thame be our Souerane Lady counsale, and the proffittis quhilkis suld cum to the burgessis and merchandices of the said burgh remanis with the saidis outland burgessis and foirstallaris as said is, in hie contemptioun of our Souerane Lady lawis and hurt of our said burgh and aganes the actis of burro lawis and parliament maid thairupone, and will nocht decist and ceis thairfra without thai be compellit; at the command of the quhilk precept the saidis officeris passit warnit chargeit lauchfully summond atechit and arreistit Thomas Smyth, John Robesone in Halkschawis, Patrik Thomsone in Eltreif, Thomas Gowane in Lowyr, William Wache in Ladyurd, Johne Cunynghame in Dolphingtoun, William Murdoksone in Drummelzeare, Henry Hill in Stratoun, James Murdok, Oswald Portus, Thomas Elphingstoun, Alexander Kirk of Tempilhill, Johne Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, Johne Stodert younger, outland

Discharging of the outland burgesses.

burgessis; William Gowanlokkis, William Johsone, Thomas Welsche, Adam Redfurd, Thomas Moffet, Johne Pantesone, William Brovn, Johne Vache in Kirkurd; Dauide Hoge in Blyth, Robert Alexander, James Watsone, younger, in Lyntoun; William Gibsone, foirstallaris and regrataris, at the mercat croce be opping proclamatioun, the saidis persones to compere within the said burgh and mak thair merchandice change and residence within xl[d] dayis nixt thairefter, and failyeand thairof to compere before the provest baillies counsale and communite, or ony tua of thame, in the tolbuth of Peblis the xx day of Januare nixt thairefter, to heir and se thame and euirilk ane of thame be decreit of court to be forfaltit of thair liberte and fredome in tymis cuming and dischargeit to vse sic change and merchandice thairefter vnder the panes contenit in the statutis of burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairupone; and the saidis foirstallaris and regratouris to compere and mak thair change and residence within the libertie and fredome of burgh within xl[ti] dayis nixt thairefter, and failyene thairof to compere afore the saidis provest baillies counsale and communite in the tolbuth of Peblis the said xx day of Januare to heir and se thame and euirilk ane of thame to be decernit be decreit of court to incure the panes contenit in the saidis burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairupone viz., vnder the pane of eschaeting of thair gudis that beis apprehendit, with ony forstalling pakking or peling, outhir hyde woll skyn, tapping or selling of lint irne tar beir malt meill in tyme cuming, the tane half to our Souerane Lady vse, the tothir half to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communite, efter the forme and tennour of the saidis burro lawis and actis of parliament maid thairvpoun, with intimatioun as efferit, as at mair lenth is contenit in the precept direct thairupon; at the quhilk day the saidis persones [being called failed to appear. The outland burgesses were ordained to desist from merchandice, packing and peilling, thair fredom was forfeited, and they were ordained to pay custom within burgh in time coming. The forestallers were decerned to desist from packing and peilling and from selling merchandice "bot within the liberte and fredome of burgh."]

Pykaris.

The inqueist delioeris that all pykaris that hes bene delatit of before to luke the buikis and se quhat faltis thai ar delatit for, and thai to be pvnist with all rigour and banist the tovn for euir till gif occasioun till vtheris that pykis of new till abstene, and to tak souerte for thame in tyme cuming vnder the pane of scurgyng of thame throuch the tovn and banissing of

thame the samine, and thai that will nocht fynd souirte to be brynt with ane irne on the cheik and thairefter banist the tovn for cuir, and ordanis the maister or lardis that ressauis sic pykaris to be thair tennentis to pay in tyme cuming the skaithis and dampnages done be thame to ony nychtbour that ar plentus thairof sua the samin be manifestlie knawin. Pykaris.

The inquest ordanis to ansuer Robert Atzin, and ilk ane of the officaris, of ane ferlot of meill in this storme to help thair wiffis and barnis, providing allwayis that thai clame na possessioun thairof in tyme cuming. Officiaris.

The inqueist ordanis gif ewill meill and gud meill be found in ane sek, better in the mouth thairof nor the ers, to eschaet the samin at the baillies will; and ordanis thame to sell meill to the pure folkis in pekkis, als weill as to the riche, of siclike price as thai sell the boll, and na derrare, vnder the pane of viij s. Meill.

The inqueist ordanis that na burges be maid in tymes cuming without avise of the counsale. Making of burgesses.

30 *January* 1555.

The baillies and communite of the burgh of Peblis is contentit, all with ane consent, to accept William Hay, sone and apparand air to vmquhile Johne lord Hay of Yester, quhow sone he cum to perfite age and is of knawlege to gif thame ane gud counsale, in the provestrie of the burgh of Peblis, yercle, afore ony vtheris as thai fynd him geving for commoun weill, conforme to the actis of parliament and burro lawis maid thairupone; and in the menetyme the said William, Mr. Thomas Hay his eme, provest of Bochanis and thair frendis, to stand gud afald and kyndelie freindis with the said communite in all lefull besynes and actiones and to set the samin forwart, and the communite in like maner to serf the said William Hay as thai wer wont to vmquhile his fader, and till deput na president nor deput vnder him bot till vse the communite in all thingis as his vmquhile fader vsit thame, and the saidis William and Mr. Thomas Hay his curatour discharges, be vertu of this writting, the gift purchest be the said William of the said provestrie vnder our Souerane Lady prive seill, and ordanis the samin desert and to be of nane effect in tyme cuming, and gif neid beis to gif the copy of the said gift to the saidis baillies counsale and communite, and the said William to hurt the saidis baillies counsale and communite in nane of thair privileges or commonteis vtherwayis nor Johne lord Hay of Yester his vmquhile fader William Hay et communitas.

William Hay et communitas.

did, and thairapone the said William baillies counsale and communite. *hinc inde*, askit instrument and ordanit the extract heirof to be geving to ather of the partiis that requirit the samin.

1 *February* 1555.

Custummer.

Andro Ra is admittit custummer quhill Candilmes day nixt to cum, to collect and gadder the small custummis of the burgh of Peblis conforme to the rite vse and consuetude of the burgh of Edinburgh, for the quhilk he sall content pay and deliuer to the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis the sovme of xix merkis, viz., afore the chakker xv dayis xiiij merkis, and the rest at Candilmes nixt thairefter following at the ische of his tak, and fand James Wilsone, Johne Wilsone and Johne Cranstoun souerteis, coniunctlie and seueralie, for payment thairof; and the said Andro souerte for thair releif; and ordanis that na wechtis be vsit in the tovn to wey ony butter cheis woll or yarne except the custum wechtis alanerlie, and the said Andro sall vse him in the new fair dayis as ane honest man and tak custum be avise of the baillies and counsale for this yeir.

5 *February* 1555.

St Christofer's altare.

Sir Robert Hoip producit and deliuerit to the baillies and communite, as patrones to Sanct Christofer altare, ane chartour of xij merkis of annuell geving be Robert Horsbruk of all and haill his landis of Harcas with the pertinentis, lyand within the quhite barony of Eddilstoun and scherefdome of Peblis, haldand fre blanche, vnder his seill and subscriptione manuale, datit at Horsbruk the iiij day of Julii anno Domini, etc., lv°; and ane vther chartour geving be Alexander Horsbruk of that ilk, of ten merkis of annuell, of all and haill his lands of Horsbruk with the pertinentis, haldand fre blanche, vnder his seill and subscriptioun manuale, datit att Peblis the ferd day of Nouember yere of God j^{m}v^{c} and lv yeris; and ane instrument of saising of the saidis xij merkis of annuell of Harcas, vnder the signe and subscriptioun manuale of Sir Johne Thomsone, notare publict, datit on the ground of the samin, quinto Novembris anno Domini, etc., lv°.

Chaplains.

The inqueist ordanis ane edict to be gotting fra the provest, maister Gilbert Wichtman, with consent of the patrones, to warne all chaplanis mak residence at thair altaris conform to thair fundatioun within xlj dayis, and failyeane thairof to heir the saidis altarages descernit vacand in the patrones

handis and vtheris qualifiit men to be electit in thair places that will nocht compere, and in the mentyme to present thair rentalis baith of waist landis and plenist within viij dayis, and siclike to bring in all thair vestmentis and chalices and deliuer thame to be laid in the commoun kist within xv dayis quhill the kirk be biggit.

8 *February* 1555.

Letting houses.

The inqueist ordanis that na tennentis be ressauit to duell within the liberte and fredome of burgh bot thai that ar reput and haldyn honest, and that thair maisteris will ansuer for thair skaithis done to ony nychtbour, and ordanis the officeris to gang throuch the tovn and warne all nychtbouris, dour be dure, that thai set na houssis to suspect personis vnder the pane to be accusit as part takkaris with thame and vnder the pane of xl s. to be payit to the commoun werk.

Pykaris.

And ony man that will in tyme cuming apprehend ony pykaris sall present the saidis pykaris to the baillies and in thair absentis to the officiaris, and thai sall haif for thair reward of the thesaurare of the commoun gudis xl s. incontinent thairefter.

5 *March* 1555.

Repledgiation. Lord Mortoun.

Thomas Tuedy, commissionare and baillie, produceit ane power of baillierie vnder my lord Mortoun signet and subscriptioun manuale, datit at Edinburgh the xij day of Februare yere of God j^{m} v^{c} and lv yeris, to replege reduce and hame bring Johne Nesbeth [and ten others] to the regalite of Dalketh court to be haldin at (*blank*) within xv dayis, viz., Thursday the xx day of Merche instant, and fand John Dikesone souirte till enter to justice, and gaif his coller aith, and failyeing that justice be nocht done as said is to cum agane to this court.

Annuellis paying.

The juges descernis and ordanis euery man, spirituale and temporale, that ar infeft of ony annuellis within the liberte and burgh of Peblis be payit conforme to the actis of the brint annuellis maid be the Thre Estatis in tyme cuming, and compone for the tymes bygane, without ony impediment and obstacle; and ordanis the officiaris to pas with the aunnaris of the

Annuellis paying.

annuellaris on the party expensis to poynd and strenye thairfore, and in speciale William Tait annuell, the lard Southous annuellis, and all vtheris annuellis, and thairupone William Tait askit instrument.

14 *April* 1556.

Court. Wappynschawin.

The court is continewit to the xviij day of Aprile becaus of wappynschawin and vther besynes that is ado.

18 *April* 1556.

Commons.

The counsale deliuerance :—The counsale ordanis the commonis to be vsit be nychtbouris, induellaris of the burgh of Peblis, conforme to the decreit pronuncit thairupone.

Burroleyis.

The counsale ordanis the Burroleyis to be vsit and set as the rest of the vther thre hillis, and euery fre man within the burgh to put thair bestiall thairto quhill it be providet to be set, and this to be proclamit at the croce the morne.

The counsale ordanis to mak ane lettere of tak blank of the Burroleyis, and to put in thair names that payis maist thairfore, and to fynd siker souerte for the same.

Malt selling. Heid dykis.

The counsale ordanis baith the baillies to pas on Weddynsday nixt tocum throw the tovn and ordour malt selling vnground fra thair awne millis, heid dykis and vtheris nychtbourheid within the burgh, vnder the pane of dischargeing of thame of thair offices.

6 *May* 1556.

Common lands.

The counsale ordanis euirilk nychtbour duelland within the fredome of burgh that hes ony nolt, howbeit thai haif steding of vtheris lardis vtouth the fredome of burgh, that ilk ane of thame get ane certane nolt and put to ane commoun herd to thair commoun feildis of Glentars, Cruxhoip, Pilmore, commoun of Swynhope, Sonyside, Somercleuch to Gaithopeburne, as the decreit pronuncit thairupone proportis, vnder the pane of viij s. ilk persone, that failyeis heirintill. And ordanis tua tirf castaris or four to be put to cast tirvis on all the partis of the saidis commonis, on the tovn expensis, to the vtilite and proffitt of the commoun weill.

22 *May* 1556.

Sanct Johnis replegiation.

Johne Andersone, officer and baillie to my lord Sant Johnis, at command, hes producit the said lord commissioun before the baillies of Peblis and communite for certane persones duelland on his landis of Terpeddo and Stanhope, viz., Johne Portus and Thomas Welsche contenit in the said commissioun, as vtheris in generale duelland on the saidis lordis landis in Tueddaill, and that the saidis baillies wald nocht admitt the said commissioun, and that the non admissioun thairof wer na hurt to my lord auld privilege bot that he may haif tyme and place to persew. And the saidis baillies and communite ansuerit that the said commissioun is generale direct and nocht in speciale, and that he wes neuir in vse of replegiatioun, afore thame nor producit na title of the foirsaid Johne allegeance contenand forstallaris, vsand pakking and peling, in hurt of priuilege of the burgh and fraude of our Souerane Lady customis.

7 *June* 1556.

Merches of Hammiltoun.

Anno incarnationis Dominice quingentesimo quinquagesimo sexto die vero mensis Junii septimo, indictione decima quarta pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pauli diuina prouidentia pape quarti anno secundo. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutis Robertus Hoppringill, Johannes Wychtman, balliui burgi de Peblis, vnacum consilio et communitate dicti burgi, more solito ad videndum et visitandum limites inter terras de Kidstoun et Chapelhill et Eddistoun et proprietatem de Hammiltoun spectantem et pertinentem balliuis communitati et inhabitantibus dicti burgi, incipiendo ad lie

[In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-six, the seventh day of the month of June, the fourteenth indiction, and in the second year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our lord the Lord Paul the Fourth by divine providence pope. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared Robert Hoppringill, John Wychtman baillies of the burgh of Peebles, together with the council and community of the said burgh, to see and visit in accustomed form the marches between the lands of Kidstoun Chapelhill and Eddistoun, and the property of Hammilton belonging and pertaining to the baillies community and inhabitants of the said burgh beginning at] tua dog bussis at the eist part of James Gowane

Merches of Hammiltoun.

land callit Burrelfeild, passand west throuch be merche stanis to the Blind Well syke, vnder the Ry Slak to the Cragwel sykis, be the syke passand soithald the heretage of Burrelfeild, be tua gray stanis to ane quhite stane in Burrelfeild Hoip, passand vp the syke to the metyn of the merche betuix Burrelfeild and Jedburghfeild and Hammiltoun, passand our the swyre be ane dike to the Sclait Hoill well, done the syke to the tua gray stanis, vp the syke in Eddistoun hoip heid to the gray marche stane at the Faw Bank fut, vp the sike to Kidstoun hoip heid, descendand done the hoip to ane red hedit stane, done the syke be the Newlandis fut, done the syke to ane gray stane beneth ane sauch bus callit Will Leidbutter yet, passand vp the dike estward to the stanis in the lon heid, passand northeist be merch stanis be Hammildone bray be the carne of stanis to the dyke, thortour the gait abone Hammildone croce to the well heid, passand southeist as the carne of stanis to Bechat welheid to the merch stane at the hie gait syde nixt contigue James Gowane heretage callit Acomfeild and Burrelfeild. Super quibus omnibus et singulis dicti balliui consules et communitas petierunt, a me notario publico subscripto, vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec horas infra septimam et nonam ante meredem, sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibussupra. Presentibus ibidem prouidis viris Willelmo Fairle, Willelmo Harwy, Jacobo Hoppringill, et domino Joanne Allane, notario publico, cum diuersis aliis testibus ad premissa rogatis pariter et requisitis. [Upon all and sundry which the said baillies councillors and community asked from me notary public subscribing one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done between the seventh and ninth hours before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written. There being present honest men William Fairle, William Harwy, James Hoppringill and Sir John Allane notary public, with divers other witnesses specially called and required to the premises]

11 *June* 1556.

Malt. Mercat-day.

The counsale hes ordanit that na browstaris by ony malt in landwart furth of the burgh in tymes cuming by the mercat day, that is to say Tusday and Friday, quhilk malt salbe brocht to the mercat croce on the saidis dayis and na vther day in all the wolk, becaus the juges baillies counsale and communite hes assignit the said dayis to be presentit to the

croce as said is to be sauld, vndir the pane of viij s. to be tane of ilk browstare that dois in the contrare of this act, and that the said viij s. be tane be the officiaris in tyme cuming als oft as thai failye heirintill and deliuer the samin to the thesaurare to mak compt thairof to the baillies counsale and communite of the said burgh in tyme cuming, and ordanis the officeris to ressaue the tua first vnlawis to thair awne dispositioun to be vigilatiue in the rest of thame that failyeis heirintill; and ordanis this act to be ratifiit the nixt court with consent of the haill communite. Malt. Mercat day.

The said counsaill ordanis Robert Hesilhope to haif xl s. yerelie during his tak of the Walk Mylne for vphalding the haill caule for the vtilite and proffit of baith the milnis and find sufficient and aboundance of walter to the saidis milnis; and gif thai be nocht sufficient walter for thame baith at anes, to tak the haill walter fra the Walk Milne to the Rude Milne salang as thair is ony cornes to be ground thairvpon. The quhilk actis the haill communite apprevis and ratifiis and the said Robert fand his land souerte for fulylling of the samin. Haldyn in of the caule.

5 *October* 1556.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis:—James Wilsone [sixty-two votes]; Robert Hoppringill [four votes]; James Tuedy [twenty-eight votes]; Thomas Peblis [forty-one votes]; Thomas Cauerhill [four votes]; William Cheisholme [seven votes]; [Wilsone and Peblis accordingly] chosing sworne and admittit baillies. Baillies.

14 *October* 1556.

The inqueist ordanis the breid to beir the pais, conforme to the statutis of Edinburgh, as the pais salbe geving in to the baxtaris and beir the price and wecht efferand as the boll of quheit is sauld. Bread.

Ordanis the aittis for xij d. the pek, x d. the stane of hay. Aittis, hay.

Ordanis nychtlie viij wauchis substantious men to be and walk within and about the tovne, enterand at viij houris and to remane quhill four houris in the morne, vnder the pane of viij s. Wauchis.

Ordanis the counsale to nominate certane of the nychtbouris of the tovn on Thursday nixt tocum for breking of the taxt of xiiij li. xij s. vj d for the xij deneris. Taxt.

Robert Murro. Ordanis the baillies to pvnis Robert Murro at thair plesour becaus thai find him windy in his takkyng, and that he haif na place to speik in tyme cum bot be his procuratouris quhilkis ar constitute, vnder the pane of festynning him in the irnes incontinent thairefter at the baillies will, and for obeying of this act fand Johne Dikesone souerte, and the said Robert to releif him.

Middynnis. Ordanis the middynnis to be elengit of the gait within viij dayis vnder the pane of viij s.

Sheip. And siclike that na scheip be pasturit nor fed, nouthir nycht nor day, within the fredome of burgh nor burro ruddis in tyme cuming, for deistroying of kaill herbis, vnder the pane of viij s., and ratifiis all actis maid thairupone of auld.

22 *October* 1556.

Cruell bluding and hurting of Adam Peblis. The quhilk day, Thomas Peblis baillie for the tyme, in absence of his college James Wilsone, comperit in the tolbuth of Peblis efter the forthochtfellony done be Johne Hay and Robert Merchell, seruandis to Mr Thomas Hay provest of Bothanis, apone Adam Peblis, vsand his lefull besynes for the tyme, and cruell bluding and hurting of him, with the haill communite counsalie gadderit for the tyme that culd be apprehendit, to fynd remeid for the said cruelte done be the saidis persones, of the quhilk communite the names ar vnder writting, viz., Robert Hoppringill, Johne Wichtman, Rolland Scot, Patrik Gowane, Johne Dikesone, Nicholl Vache, Thomas Bell, William Cheisholme, James Gowane, Thomas Cauerhill, Dauid Robesone, Thomas Persone, James Tuedy, James Murdok, Andro Alexander younger, Johne Robesone, Thomas Dikesone elder, Thomas Andersone, William Harwy, Johne Bullo, Johne Glaschen, Johne Patersone, Johne Kirkwood elder, John Kirkwood younger, Stene Greif, Achilles Gladdo, Johne Portus, William Wilsone, Johne Persoun, William Atzin, Arthure Johnkesone, William Robyn, Johne Ecfurd, Thomas Grege, James Stensone, Andro Ra, Johne Fergussone, William Bannerman, William Rechartsone, William Dikesoun of Winkestoun, Robert Hesilhope, James Cunyeane, Johne Cranstoun, George Horsbruk, James Dowell, Thomas Watsone, William Lowys, Johne Wilsone, Johne Wilsone younger, Johne Lithquo, Johne Mosman, Adam Hog, Robert Scot, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Tueddaill, Alexander Tempill, Laurence Horsbruk, and vtheris nychtbouris, all

with ane consent ordanis the baillies to pas to the Quenis grace autorite or to the justice and lordis of counsale to seik remeid herfor on the tovn expensis. Cruell bluding and hurting of Adam Peblis.

10 *November* 1556.

The baillies counsale and communite hes conducit Sir William Tunno to be scoilmaister to teche thair barneis efter his knawlege quhill Witsonday nixt tocum, and forthir as thai and he can aggre, and gif thai aggre nocht he sall mak lauchfull warnyng to the saidis baillies counsale and communite that thai may provide ane vther afore the terme; for the quhilkis thay sall caus thair thesaurare to pay to the said Sir William termelie at Candilmes, Beltane, Lammes, and Alhallomes, fiftie s., and sall fynd him ane honest chalmer on thair expensis, with chymnay, closet and necessariis, exceppand furnissing. Scoilmaister.

13 *November* 1556.

The said day, Mongo Williamsone, sworne and admittit, deponis that James Pount com till his hous quhen William Richartsoun wes drinkand with him and Johne Scot, and wald [nocht] byde away bot gaif iniurious wordis sayand he suld put ane knyfe to William Rechartsone hart or ellis his life or he his, had nocht bene John Scot gat ane roung and held him furth on force; and forthir deponis that on the xi day of Nouember betuix xj houris and xij quhen the wache was on the gait James Pount com done the gait, and the said William beand ane of the saidis wachis sperit at thame quha wes that on the gait that tyme of nycht and straik the said James on the forret with ane roung, and than incontinent the said James drew ane quhingar and said he suld haif it at his hart blude. Johne Scot, sworne and admittit, deponis that James Pount com to Mongo Williamsone hous quhen thai wer in table and gaif him iniurious wordis, sayand he suld outhir haif his life or he his. William Bell, souerte to enter James Pount, to ansuer William Rechartsoun the nixt court. Assault.

26 *November* 1556.

The haill inqueist fyndis James Pount in the wrang in drawin of ane quhyngare to William Rechartsone in presens of Robert Hoppringill, baillie Drawing quhingares.

Drawing quhingares.

for the tyme, and siclik for the cuming to Mongo Williamsone hous gevand iniurious wordis till him he beand in his table with companyeonis, conforme to the depositiounis of the previs.

Previs betuix Pount and Rechartsone :—William Rechartsone deponis that he yeid furth of Robert Scot hous fra his table fra James Pount, and ilk ane of thame drew quhingares till vtheris, bot he can nocht tell quhether he or James Pount drew the quhyngar first.

10 *Deeember* 1556.

Wobstaris wechtis.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to reforme all the wobstaris wechtis, baith stane, half stane, quarter, half quarter, pound, half pound, tron weeht, to be maid with ringnis and deliuerit to thame, conforme to the weehtis of Edinburgh, and to mak thame on the wobstaris expensis; and ordanis the baillies to caus ane of the saidis wobstaris, outhir Johne Wilsone or James Thorbrand, pas done with ane of the baillies to syeht the saidis stanis and se the saidis stanis reformit conforme to the statutis of Edinburgh, and quhat chis of claith suld be payit of wowen and lynning be the said weeht, and haif the dekynnis of Edinburgh writtinis heirapone within xv dayis.

30 *December* 1556.

Night watch.

The baillies counsall and communite ordanis the half quarter of the tovn to walk nychtlie quhill the mone grow to the proud lycht, and the quarter of the tovn to walk ilk nycht salang as thai ar proude, and that nane walk except the principale of ilk hous or ellis ane sufficient man in thair place, and the baillies to nominat ane man nychtlie to ourse the said waehe to enter at nyne houris at ewin and to byde quhill four houris in the morne.

Watch in the stepill.

And siclike, ordanis James Frank to ly nychtlie in the stepill to await on the bell and ring the samin gif ony aventure of fray or sudand fyre occurris, and siclike ordanis the chapell dure nychtlie at sex houris to be lokkit that he incure na danger in ganging to the stepill.

Dykis.

And siclike ordanis [certain passages dikes and old walls, and "bath Sanet Michaell entres," to be built up, and] all that hes ony yardis quhar dykis is failyeit to big thame vp within viij dayis.

And siclike ordanis the thesaurare to vesy gif ony tymber be to by to mak portis of. Portis.

Ordanis the commoun stane to be put in sure keping in the commoun kist within xxiiij houris, vnder the pane of viij s., and thair to remane and nocht to be removit furth of the samin. Commoun stane.

18 *January* 1556.

The deliuerance of the inqueist: Ordanis the flauchter spadis that wes apprehendit on our propirtie of Hammiltoun castand tirvis to Alexander Hoppringill in Chapelhill without licence of the baillies and communite to be gotting in within xlviij houris, or ellis to ly till his charge. Hammiltoun.

The inqueist ordanis to gar gadder stanis to Peblis brig egis, and to serche the walter first and gif ony wantis to leid maa. Peblis brig.

Item, the inqueist ordanis to caus mak ane new dure to the stepill, and ordanis James Frank to fulfill all poyntis of his promis and contract betuix him and the tovn anentis the stepill and knok, and siclike ordanis the thesaurare big the portis. Stepill, knok, portis.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to consuld with maister Johne Spence quhow thai sall tak ordour of Sanct Michaell altare and the clerkschip, and of the giftis quhilk the archidene hes geving and makkis na seruice thairfore. Altares.

Ordanis the auld actis of the commoun gait betuix the tovn and to Hammildoun hill to be obseruit and kepit. Commoun gait. Hammildoun.

Ordanis the chaplanes to be callit for thair chalices that wantis. Chaplanes.

The quhilk day, Mongo Williamsone and Adam Gilleis was creat officeris to vse the office of seriandschip within the libertie and fredome of the burgh, justlie baith to pure and riche, and without outhir bude or meid ay and quhill thai be newlie dischargit. Officeris.

4 *March* 1556.

The inquest ordanis the actis maid of the wobstaris tuiching the reformatioun of the wechtis to be reformit in all soirtes conforme to the actis maid tua courtis of before, and ordanis thame to mak sufficient werk of the graith deliuerit and ressauit be thame and tak payment thairfore efter the Wobstaris.

Wobstaris. rite of Edinburgh, and gif thai spill ony manis or woman wark to recompance the samin, and imputtis the wite to the baillies that thai put nocht the saidis actis to executioun.

James Frank to remove fra the stepill. And inlikemaner findis that the baillies hes failyeit that causit nocht James Frank reforme the poyntis of his contract anentis the knok and stepill in all thingis as the said contract proportis, and ordanis thame to caus the said James haif all thing that pertenis to the tovn in his keping in ane reddynes to be deliuerit to the counsale and communite quhowsone he be requirit thairto, and to warne him instantlie to remoif fra the keping of thair commoun hous and knok at Beltane nixt to cum quhill he and the town aggre.

Leidgait and Hammiltoun. And siclike imputtis the wyte to the baillies that thai ordour nocht the commoun gait betuix the Leidgait and Hammiltoun.

Harwy. Aunual. The quhilk day, James Robesone confessit in jugement that William Harwy had payit xx s. yerelie sen the tovn birnyng to John Stodert be the space of v yeris, and the said William allegit the said payment wes ignorantlie done becaus he knew nocht the actis maid thairupone and desyrit bakwart of the said sovme mair nor he aucht till haif geving as accordit of the law, and ordanis be productioun of Johne Stodert euident to ansver him of the annuell contenit thairintill conforme to the ordour of the actis maid of the brynt landis, and assignis the nixt court day, viz. the xxiiij day of Merche instant, to the said Johne to tak consultatioun quhat suld be defalcat thairof les or mair.

26 *April* 1557.

Vanelaw. The inqueist ordanis the Vanelaw to be red incontinent this samin nycht, and als oft as thai find ony gudis thairupone to tak ane lambe of ilk mannis gud fund thairupone to be geving to the commoun werk, and the officiaris for thair panes to haif the first lambe. And to provide ane kepare to the said hill auld vsit and wont, conforme to the actis of auld, that stirkkis caulffis and hors may be pasturit thairupone and na vther bestiale nouthir nycht nor day.

Caidmur. Ordanis the tennentis of Caidmur to produce thair takkis on Friday nixtocum, and thai that hes failyeit or brokyn ony part of the saidis takkis to be dischargit simpliciter and vtheris electit in thair places.

Ordanis the baillies to pas to the croce the morne and be opping proclamatioun warn all and sindry our Souerane Lady liegis to bring breid, quheit, meill, malt, and all vtheris kynde of victuales to the mercate as vse is of all vtheris burrowis. Victualis.

Ordanis the baillies to caus the wobstaris prices of thair lawbouris conforme to the prices of Edinburgh, and mak the quantite of quhow mony ellis of claith may be maid of the trois stane and vtheris wechtis deliuerit to thame, and to gif thame ane ansuer of thair fredome betuix this and Michaelmes quhen tyme occurris, and gif thai be nocht contentit with the baillies ansuer ane of thame selffis pas done to Edinburgh with the saidis baillies on thair awne expensis conforme to the desyre of thair awne bill, and ordanis the auld stanis to be tane fra thame. Wobstaris.

30 *April* 1557.

Item, it [is] statut and ordanit that the tennentis of the four hillis of Caidmuir to be warnit aganes the sevint day of Maii nixt tocum to compere afore the baillies counsale and communite that thair conscience may be tane *sigillatim* be thair selffis gif thai haif obseruit the poyntis of thair takkis or not, and dischargeis all vnfremen gudis of the saidis four hillis fra the morne efter Beltane day nixt to cum, and nane be pasturit thairupone thairefter vnder the pane of fairfalting of thair takkis, and the quarter maisteris to red the saidis gudis of the saidis hillis on the ferd day of May vnder the said pane, and the cornes sawin be vnfremen that duellis inwyth or vtouth the burgh, or yit be fremen duelland vtouth the burgh, to be eschaet to the tovn. Caidmuir.

3 *May* 1557.

William Russell, sworne and admittit, deponis be his greit aith that he and hus suster Merioun Russell wes cummand fra the croce quhen he had bocht ane certane saip, and the mercat wes thrang and nocht knawand quha wes afor him in the mercat, to mak him ane fre passage and gait put furth his hand, egling to mak him ane gait and for despiesour of na man nor for violence bot to thring him self throw the mercat becaus it wes thrang as said is, and culd na vther wayis evaid vntuichit, and his suster followand Mercat day.

Mercat day. him sayand: I pray yow get ws rowme that we may haif fre passage for breking of the pig and saip that wes in hir hand.

7 *May* 1557.

Venlaw. The baillies hes set the Winlaw to Adam Gilleis and Eduard Pount to be kepit, and that na bestiall be pasturit thairupone except stirkis, caulffis and hors, nouthir nycht nor day; and that the saidis hors be sufficientlie langillit, and all the heid dykkis to be biggit within xxiiij houris, and that the saidis keparis of the said hill ding the saidis stirkis quhairthrow thai incure ony skaith, and gif sa beis thai salbe compellit to pay the same, and that the stirkkis be put to the hill to be pasturit be five houris at morne and to remane quhill vij houris at ewin, and that the meill men hors be kepit be thame alanerlie and nane vtheris vnder the pane of ten pundis of money to be tane of Stene Greif and Johne Wilsone thair souirteis without ony remissioun.

15 *June* 1557.

Sonyside. The counsale and communite ordanis the baillie pas done till Edinburgh incontinent, quhowsone he may be providit, and mak ane bill and gif in to the Quenis grace apone my lord Borthik his seruandis and thair complices that cuttit the tirvis pertenand to the communite on the Sonysyde the xiiij day of Junij instant, with avise of Mr Johne Spence thair aduocat.

Caidmuir. And ordanis the baillie to caus the officeris pas and poynd and destrenye the reddyest guddis of the tennentis and occupiaris of the hillis of Caidmuir, Walk Milne males, and all vtheris males and annuellis within vj dayis.

10 *July* 1557.

Sonyside tirvis. The counsale and communite ordanis to avise with maister Johne Spence anentis the cuttin and birnyng of the tirvis on the Sonysyde be my lord Borthik and his complices, assistaris to him, on the xiiij day of Junij in the yere of God $j^{m}v^{c}$ lvij yeris, and to fynd remeid heirfore, and to mak billis Gledstanis. thairupone with avise of our said aduocat as accordis of the law. And siclik to fynd remeid of the greit enormite, done be James Gledstanis, eldest sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, and his complices, this xxv day of Junii instant, cumand to our propertie and heritage of Caidmuir,

strikand our seruand Robert Cleuch and causand him thairthrow to haif greit effusioun of blude, and takkand to erd our scheillis and houssis, euttand the samin with hewin axis and suirdis, of prouisioun maid of before, vnder silence of nycht about the sone rysing, and to libell and rais summondis thairupone as accordis of the law, and ordanis Thomas Peblis, baillie, to put this to executioun with all diligence as he will ansuer to his office. Gledstanis.

21 *July* 1557.

[The inqueist] ordanis the honest men of the tovne seueralie, thair eours about, gang and beg in the kirk to the pure folkis for thair sustentatioun, and the baillie to begyn this nixt wolk. Pure folk.

14 *August* 1557.

The baillies counsale and communite ordanis nychtlie weehis to be maid in tyme of the oist, and that the quarter of the towne walk nychtlie quhill thair returnyng hame agane, and ane of the maist honest men of the said quarter to be electit quarter-maister, and quha dissobeyis this ordinance to pay viij s. of vnlaw, vnforgeving, and to enter at ix houris at ewin and remane quhill the dawn of the day, etc; and gif thai heir ony word of ane hoist the haill towne to walk. And sielike ordanis the thesaurare to by the tymber to the portis with all expeditioun as he will ansuer to the baillies counsale and communite apone the execution of his office. Wechis. Portis.

4 *October* 1557.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis: James Robesone, [twenty-six votes]; Johne Wychtman, [two votes]; William Bell, [fifteen votes]; James Tuedye, [forty-eight votes]; Johne Dikesone, [forty votes]; Patrik Newtoun, [three votes]. Baillies.

8 *October* 1557.

Consilium: James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, baillies; James Wilsone, Thomas Peblis, Stene Robesone, Rowe Scot, Nicholl Vache, William Dikesone elder, Johne Wychtman, James Robesone, Thomas Tuedy, Robert Hesilhope, William Cheisholme, William Lowys, Thomas Bell, Thomas Cauerhill, Johne Wilsoun textour, James Stensone, Johne Lythquo. Council.

Furnissing to army.

It is statute and ordanit [by the haill counsale and communite] that all and sindry induellaris within the burgh of Peblis provide furnissing, sic as breid aill flesche fische aittis hay stray pultre and all necessariis, to our Souerane Lady liegis passand and repassand to the army, on ressonabill prices, conforme to our Souerane Lady [letteres] direct thairupone.

27 *October* 1557.

Night watch.

The inqueist ordanis xij men of the tovne to walk nychtlie, outhir the principale man of the hous or ellis ane sufficient man in absence of the principale, and nane vther to be admittit vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgevin.

17 *November* 1557.

Sodane frayis.

The counsall ordanis gif thair cum ony sodane fray to the toun, be incursiones of thevis or innemeis, to James Frank to schoit ane govne, and thairafter the swiche to cum to the gait, and all nychtbouris convene weill armyt to the said swiche with thair baillies, vnder the pane of foirfalting of thair fredome.

2 *December* 1557.

Thevis and tratouris.

The counsale ordanis the baillies, accumpanit with the thesaurare and tua thre honest men, pas to my lord anentis the Quenis graces letteres purchest be him to rise and follow quhen ony frayis occurris be occursiones of thevis and tratouris, and to haif his lordschip ansuer heirapone, and schaw his lordschip that of beneuolence thai will serf auld vsit and wont to his gudschir and fader, vtherwayis to fynd remeid to defend thair libertie conforme to vtheris liberteis of burrowis, and ordanis this to be done with all expeditioun.

The ordour of the wauche.

Sicklike, the counsale ordanis the quarter of the tovne to wauche nychtlie and convene with the swyche at nyne houris at ewin, and ane of the baillies or ellis baith to ressaue the said wauche, and thairefter to walk quhill four houris on the morne, and tua of the said wauche thair hour about, ane to pas to the Quhitstanehill and ane vther to the Castelhill, and sua nychtlie tua to walk about efter the wauche be ressauit and set, vnder the pane of viij s. to be tane of thame that failyeis; and ane principale of the wauche to be electit nychtlie in the baillie absence to tak ordour of the rest of the

wauche to obey his commandement as the baillies wer present, vnder the pane of viij s. of thame that dissobeyis. The ordour of the wauche.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to caus masonis [big] all and sindry heid rowmes about the tovne sufficientlie on thair expensis that hes heid rowmes within thair awne boundis, and tak the reddyest of thair geyr and guddis to big the said heid dykis with, and viij s. of vnlaw to the baillies of thame that dissobeyis. The heid dykis.

The counsale ordanis James Frank to furnis the stepill round about sufficientlie with stanis for defence of the same in caice ony danger occure be incursiones of thevis or vtherwayis be innemeis. To furnis the stepill.

And siclik ordanis Sir Johne Allane to put the commone bukis in ane sure kist lokkit in the stepill, and the key to be geving to ane honest man be avise of the baillies on the thesaurare expensis, and to set the samin kist besyde the common kist in the chalmer quhilk vmquhile Sir William Tumno had the key of, and ordanis James Frank till deliuer the key thairof to Sir Johne Allane that nychtbouris may haif inspectioun of the saidis bukis as thai haif ado thairwith at thair desyre be command of the baillies, quhilk the said Sir Johne sall obey with the baillies command or taikyn. Commone bukis.

The counsale ordanis Johne Cranstoun to restore the half of the wikket of the Briggait port quhilk he hes, and ordanis the thesaurare to repare the said wikket to be sufficientle maid and lokkit of the reddyest of the commoun guddis incontinent. Briggait port.

Siclike the counsale electis thir keparis vnder writting to the portis, viz.: Arche Robsone to the West port, and to haif for his lawbouris quhill Witsounday tuenty schillingnis; Andro Ra to the Eist port, and to haif for his lawbouris tuenty schillingnis; Johne Lowys to the Briggait port, and to haif for his lawbouris ten schillingnis; Johne Dikesone, seruand, to the North port, and to haif for his lawbouris ten schillingnis; and gif ony of the saidis persones refusis the keping of the saidis portis vtheris to be electit in thair places to accept the samin, and ordanis the saidis keparis of the foirsaidis portis to cleis the samin portis nychtlie in wynter at sax houris at ewin, except the wickettis quhilk salbe opping quhill viij houris at ewin, providing allwayis that the West port wikket salbe opping quhill ix houris at ewin nychtlie becaus of passage to the corne milnis and walk mylnis, and efter that the saidis portis be alhaill closit that nane be latting in nor furth The keparis of the portis.

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thairat without licence of ane of the baillies afore the saidis affixt houris without it be to fray and following for weill of the cuntre, and quhowsone the followaris to the fray be latting furth the saidis portis to be closit as afore quhill the saidis houris affixt, and that nane dissobey the keparis of the saidis portis betuix the closing and oppynning thairof at the houris forsaid, vnder the pane of depriving of thaim; and gif ony suddand tulye happyng within the tovne, outhir be nycht or day, that the keparis of the saidis portis incontinent thairefter clois and steik the saidis portis quhill cognitioun of the said tulye be tane and pvnisment maid thairfore as accordis of the law, and gif ony of the keparis of the saidis portis tyne ony of thair keyis to mak new keyis agane on thair expensis, and to fynd caution that thai sall be leill and trew to the baillies counsale and communite of the saidis portis keping as said is, and that thai incure na danger in thair necligence.

13 *January* 1557.

Chaplains.

The baillies and maist part of the counsale ordanis Rolland Scot thesaurare, and Johne Wychtman, ryde done to Edinburgh the morne to master Johne Spence and haif his consultatioun quhow thai sall vse the chaplanis within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis anentis the makkyn of dailie residence on thair altaragis and prebendis, and be his avise mak ane bill of complaynt to my lord Glasqw to purches ane sequestratioun of all and sindry the fruttis of the saidis prebendis and altarages ay and quhill thai mak continewall and dailie residence, quhairthrow thai may be compellit to mak seruice conforme to the erectioun and fundatiounes maid thairupone, becaus diuers of thame seruis curis furth of the burgh and thairthrow the patronis wantis seruis at hie solemnit tymes and all vtheris festiuale tymes, howbeid thai be astrictit to mak thair patrones dailie seruice be the tennour and vertu of the saidis fundationes, and ordanes thame to bring ane formall ansuer heirapone, and this our writting to be sychtit be my lord of Glasgw and vtheris his secretaris, and to put remeid heirto as accordis of the law.

17 *January* 1557.

Portis.

[The haill inqueist ordanis] that nane pas our dykis to the buttis or walter in tymes cuming bot furth at the portis, vnder the pane of viij s.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to gif maister Johne Lowys tuenty merkis of fee for the teching of the Grammare Scoill, and to provide his chalmer himself, and to haif his ansuer thairof betuix this and Sonday. Grammare scoill.

21 *January* 1557.

The baillies and communite of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane voce and with ane consent, ar contentit to pas to Caidmur incontinent with all and sindry thair pleuchis baith for feying and borrowing and teill the same, and gif the takkismen will teill it thair selffis with thair awne propir pleuchis the tovne sall fortify thame quarterlie about quhill samekle thairof be telit as is neeessar, and gif the takkismen may nocht get pleuchyn thair selffis that ony vther nychtbour that plesis to teill the samin and vse it as ane takkisman; providing alwayes that euery freman within the burgh salbe fre to vse the gers of the said Caidmuir that is vntelit sufficientlie with thair bestiale this yere and to kepe the cornes vneting, and quha refusis to do as is abone writting sall pay viij s. of vnlaw, vnforgeving, to the baillies and forfaltit of thair fredome in tyme euming. Cadmur.

4 *March* 1557.

The counsale hes ordanit tua wechis to walk nychtlie, ane on the Stepill heid ane vther on the Est Werk, and to haif nychtlie for thair wage vj d., enterand at nyne houris and remane quhill v houris in the morne, and ordanis the inhabitaris of the burgh to pay als mekle to sustene the saidis wechis wyth as thai pay of burro males, becaus thair is na commoun gudis fre instantlie; and siclike it is statut and ordanit that na waehe fra this tyme furth walk on the gait exeept the principale of the hous, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgevin; and the heid dykis to be substantiouslie reformit, vnder the said pane. Wache, dykis.

14 *March* 1557.

The names ordanit be the counsale to pay the tua waehis on the Stepill and Eist Werk becaus thair is na commoun gudis fre instantlie: Johne Wilsone, Thomas Bell, Johne Portus, James Gowane, Johne Lowys, Helene Threipland, Johne Scot, Mertyn Hay, Robert Dische, James Dowell, James Gowane, Helene Williamsone, Thomas Dikesone, Besse Fynlaw, Sande Fell, Payment for wachis.

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Johne Hay, Eduard Dikesone, Johne Stensone, Mr John Colquhone, Andro Wichtman, William Bell, Sir Robert Hoip, Sir Johne Allane, Sir Johne Bullo, Sir Johne Ker, Thomas Cauerhill, Denys Elphingstoun, James Crunyeane, James Frank, Thomas Hesilhop, James Wilsone, William Cheisholme, William Lowys, Nicholl Vache, Cristian Hoip, Thomas Watsone, William Attzin, James Stensone, Johne Clasgen, Done Burne, Thomas Lowys, Eduard Wychtman, Besse Bard, Rolland Scot, William Robysoun, Johne Lythquo, Johne Kirkwod, William Dikesone, Adam Hog, William Bannermau, Johne Cranstoun, Dauid Robesone, Johne Mosman, Johne Ecfurd, Arthure Johnkesone, Johne Bullo, Stene Greif wife, Johne Patersone, Johne Craufurd, Thomas Tuedy, Stene Robesone, Thomas Dikesone, Laurence Horsbruk, Johne Horsbruk, George Horsbruk, Thomas Greg, James Robesone, Robert Hesilhope, Johne Robesone, Patrik Newtoun, Thomas Portus, Johne Smyth.

31 *March* 1558.

Grammare scoill.

The haill inqueist ordanis Walter Haldane to teche thair Grammare Scoill quhill Lammes, enterand at Pasche nixtocum, and to gif him for his panes xl s. and his aventuris quhill the said terme, to se gif he be qualifiit, and gif ony vther qualifiit man can be gotting the said Walter to be removit, or vtherwayis aggre with him gif he plesis to be doctour and teche vnder him.

12 *April* 1558.

Oppression by tenants of Milton.

Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Adamus Johnstone tenens molendini de Miltoun infra baroniam de Hundelishope et vicecomitatum de Peblis simpliciter denegauit et refutauit quod ipse nullo modo consensit ad erectionem literarum Supreme Domine nostre super burgensibus et inhabitantibus infra burgum de Peblis pro asserta oppressione in dictis literis contenti execu-

In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written, personally appeared an honest man Adam Johnstone tenant of the mill of Miltoun within the barony of Hundelishope and sheriffdom of Peebles and simply denied and refuted that he in any mode consented to the publication of the letters of our Sovereign Lady relating to the burgesses and inhabitants within the burgh of Peebles for the asserted oppression contained in the said letters, executed by Robert Stirk messenger

tarum per Robertum Stirk nuncium reginale nomine et mandato personarum in dictis literis insertarum, prout tenore presentis instrumenti simpliciter denegat et refutat non obstante quod ipse nomen insertus sint in dictis literis, protestando quod ipse in temporibus futuris immunis et innocens erit de erectione huiusmodi literarum quod nunquam consentiebat palam aut occulte erectioni earundem sed in Joannis Gledstanis de Cokkelaw illius nomine et informatione dicte litere erecte erant vt mihi notario publico subscripto luciде constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse et Jacobus Tuedy balliuus dicti burgi nomine et ex parte dictorum burgensium consulum et communitatis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in clausura domini Roberti Hoip capellani infra burgum de Peblis. . . . .

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of the Queen in the name and at the command of the persons enumerated in the said letters, as by the tenor of the present instrument he simply denies and refutes, notwithstanding that his name be inserted in the said letters, protesting that he should be in time coming free and innocent of the proclamation of the said letters, because he never consented publicly or privately to the proclamation thereof, but that it was in the name and by the procurance of John Gledestanis of Cocklaw that the said letters were proclaimed, as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry he and James Tuedy baillie of the said burgh, in the name and behalf of the said burgesses councillors and community, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the close of Sir Robert Hoip chaplain within the burgh of Peebles. . . . .

13 *April* 1558.

Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Joannes Dikesone junior de Winkestoun nomine et mandato balliuorum communitatis et consulum burgi de Peblis petiit instrumentum vt in vulgari sequitur [In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten, personally appeared an honourable man John Dikesone younger of Winkestoun, in the name and at the command of the baillies community and councillors of the burgh of Peblis asked an instrument as follows in the common tongue] that the said baillies and communite wes summond be our Souerane Lady letteres to find souerte to vnderly our said Souerane Lady lawis for the oppressioun done be thame to the ten-

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nentis and inhabitaris of the landis of Miltoun and Hallyard, as the saidis letteres in the self mair fullelie proportit, and that the baillies, he and the rest of the communite and inhabitaris of the said burgh, swa mony as wes gevin in bill, wes and is instantlie reddy to obey our said Souerane Lady letteres and to fynd souerte of the poyntis and articulis contenit thairintill as accordit of the law, nochtwythstanding that Robert Stirk, messinger executour of the saidis letteres, had tane nane of the principalis aithis insert in the saidis letteres that thai ferit the baillies communite and inhabitaris of the said burgh geving in to thame in bill of bodely harme, as he aucht apone the law in presens of party, protestand for remeid of law vpone Robert, messinger, to gif his aith afore the lordis and justice generale or his deputis of the acceptatioun of the saidis principalis aithis insert in our said Souerane Lady letteres or he ressauit the saidis souerteis or nocht. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Joannes Dikesone, nomine et ex parte dictorum balliuorum consulum communitatis et inhabitantium dicti burgi, a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec apud crucem foralem dicti burgi. . . . . [Upon which all and sundry the said John Dikesone, in name and behalf of the said baillies councillors community and inhabitants of the said burgh, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done at the market cross of the said burgh. . . . .]

5 *May* 1558.

Trubbling the tovne.

The said day, Achilles Gladdo referrit him in the townis will for the trubling of the tovne on Pasche Monunday last bypast, in breking of the Quenis irnes in the Tolbuth in fortyfying of his broder Thomas Gladdo beand inclusit thairintill be the baillies, and of the iniurious wordis to the officeris and missobeying of thame.

Fynlaw Hammildoun.

The inquest ordanis the Fynlaw to be kepit auld vsit and wont, and ane kepar to be put thairto incontinent conforme to the auld actis of before; and siclik ordanis the officiaris to red Hammildoun hill pertenand to the toun in properte the morne nixt tocum, and ilk fre man put ane certane gudis nolt and scheip thairto as thai may.

6 *June* 1558.

Textouris.

The baillies, be avise of William Wilsone and Robert Derling, hes nominat four werkmen textouris, viz., Johne Wilsone, Thomas Andersone, James Thorbrand and Thomas Patersone to exame Gilbert Wilsone his sone, prenteis to Robert Derling, and se gif he be qualifiit to wirk on the lynning lome or nocht, betuix this and the nixt court, and thairefter the poyntis of the contract to be fulfillit as accords of the law, and the said Robert to fynd souerte to fulfill his part of the contract as the said contract proportis.

Charteris and euidentis.

James Frank tuk instrument that the baillies confessit in jugement that Andro Frank his sone wranguslie tane his box with certane charteris and euidentis furth of thair commone hous in the stepill, the said James beand seruand the saidis baillies counsale and communite for the tyme, and desyrit the saidis baillies to caus and compel the said Andro his sone to rander and restore to him agane the saidis box charteris and euidentis contenit thairintill.

Commoun bukis.

Ordanis James Frank to mak ane sufficient lok to the skoilhous dure to thair chalmer in the stepill quhilk thai ordane to be deliuerit to Sir Johne Allane for obseruatioun of the commoun bukis now in tyme of weir, and the thesaurare to aggre with him thairfore.

Hammiltoun.

Ordanis euirilk nychtbour put certane nolt on Friday nixttocum on Hammiltoun and to be pasturit thairupone, ilk persone vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving.

Caidmuir.

Ordanis the haill nychtbouris to pasture thair gudis on the four hillis of Caidmuir, and that na outland mennis gudis adiacent thairto be ressauit thairupone be ony fremen, vnder the pane of forfalting of thair liberte, and ordanis all nychtbouris that hes takkis of the saidis hillis to cum and pay thair males betuix this and Midsomer nixt to cum, or ellis to be dischargit simpliciter of the saidis takkis, and the saidis hillis to be vsit or cryit waist be the haill nychtbouris as thai think gud at thair awne plesour with thair gudis.

Peblis brig.

Ordanis the baillies to caus the thesaurare mend Peblis brig now in the season of somer quhill the wedder is fair, as thai will ansuer to God thair awne conscience and the commoun weill of the tovne.

Buttis. Ordanis xx s. to be geving of the first tua burgessis that is maid to the bigging of the buttis.

Thevis and Ynglismen. Ordanis the baillies as thai get aduertisment of ony danger occurris to the tovne, be incursiones of thevis, robaris, or Ynglismen, thairefter to ordour ane [watch] of few or greit nowmer as efferis.

Heid dykis. Ordanis the baillies, accumpanit with the counsale, pas on Friday nixtocum to vesy the heid dykes betuix the North and Eist portis, and to consider quhow the samin salbe biggit.

26 *June* 1558.

John Hay master of the hospital of St Leonard. Anno, etc. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus venerabilis et egregius vir, Magister Joannes Colquhone prepositus de Bothanis ac decanus christianitatis de Peblis, ad instantiam et requisitionem honesti viri, Joannis Hay fratris germani Thome Hay de Smeithfeild, ad preceptoriam perpetuam hospitalis Sancti Leonardi pro perpetuo fundatam apud burgum de Peblis personaliter accessit habens et tenens suis in manibus quandam donationem supreme domine nostre Regine de dicta preceptoria perpetua sub eius secreto sigillo, et ibidem dictus Joannes huiusmodi donationem dicto magistro Joanni manualiter tradidit ipsum humiliter requirendo quatinus huiusmodi literam donationis debite executioni demandaret, quamquidem [literam] donationis idem magister Joannes ea reuerentia qua decuit recepit et idem mihi notario publicosubscripto perlegendo publicando et in vulgari exponendo et in publicam instrumenti

In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared a venerable and worthy man Master John Colquhoun provost of Bothanis and dean of the christianity of Peblis at the instance and request of an honest man John Hay brother german of Thomas Hay of Smeithfeild, and went personally to the perpetual preceptory of the hospital of St. Leonard founded for ever at the burgh of Peblis, having and holding in his hands a certain gift of the said perpetual preceptory by our sovereign lady the Queen under her privy seal, and there the said John delivered the said gift to the said master John and humbly requested him forthwith to put the said letter of gift to due execution, which letter of gift the said master John received with due reverence, and delivered the same to me notary public subscribing to be read published and explained in the common tongue

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formam redigendo tradidit ; cuiusquidem litere donationis tenor sequitur sub hac forma et est talis :—Maria Dei gratia Regina Scotorum ; omnibus probis hominibus suis ad quos presentes litere peruenerint, salutem : Sciatis quod dedimus concessimus et disposuimus tenoreque presentium damus concedimus et disponimus dilecto nostro Joanni Hay fratri germano Thome Hay de Smethfeild pro omnibus diebus vite sue preceptoriam perpetuam hospitalitatis Sancti Leonardi pro perpetuo fundatam apud burgum nostrum de Peblis situatam nunc vacantem per simplicem resignationem cessionem et dimissionem magistri Patricii Buchquhannane vltimi preceptoris et possessoris eiusdem ad nostram plenariam donationem et dispositionem pleno jure patronatus spectantem et pertinentem : Tenendam et habendam prefatam preceptoriam perpetuam prefati hospitalis cum omnibus et singulis juribus terris possessionibus commoditatibus redditibus emolumentis proficuis et pertinentiis suis eiidem preceptorie annexatis et legittime ad eandem pertinentibus prefato Joanni pro omnibus sue vite diebus libere quiete integre honorifice bene et in pace sine aliquo impedimento clameo questione aut contradictione aliquali : Prouiso nihilominus quod ipse per se aut suum substitutum ydoneum faciat et perimpleat omnia onera et seruitia dicte preceptorie incumbentia secundum tenorem funda-

and drawn up in public form of instrument ; of which letter of gift the tenor follows in this form, and is thus :—Mary by the grace of God Queen of Scots to all her honest men to whom the present letters shall come greeting : Know ye that we have given granted and disponed and by the tenor of these presents give grant and dispone to our beloved John Hay brother german of Thomas Hay of Smithfeild for all the days of his life the perpetual preceptory of the hospital of Saint Leonard founded for ever and situated near our burgh of Peebles, now vacant by the simple resignation cession and dimission of Master Patrick Buchquhannane last preceptor and possessor thereof belonging and pertaining to our free gift and disposal by full right of patronage : To hold and to have the foresaid preceptory of the foresaid hospital with all and singular rights lands possessions commodities rents emoluments profits and other pertinents to the said preceptory annexed and lawfully pertaining thereto to the said John for all the days of his life freely quietly wholly honourably well and in peace without any impediment claim question or contradiction whatever : Provided nevertheless that he performs and implements by himself or his qualified substitute all duties and services incumbent on the said preceptory according to the tenor of the foundation thereof. Wherefore we strictly charge and command all and

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tionis eiusdem : Quare vniuersis et singulis liegiis et subditis nostris precipimus et firmiter mandamus quatinus prefato Joanni Hay suisque factoribus in omnibus et singulis dictam preceptoriam concernentibus ac in gratuita solutione sibi firmarum reddituum emolumentorum et proficuarum dicte preceptorie pertinentium et nulli alteri durante vita sua prompte pareant respondeant obediant et efficaciter intendant et quilibet eorum per se prompte pareat respondeat obediat et efficaciter intendat sub omni pena que competere poterit in hac parte: Datum sub nostro secreto sigillo apud Halyrudhous quinto die mensis Februarii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo septimo et regni nostri decimo sexto : Per signaturam manu charissime matris nostre Marie Regine Dotarie ac regentis regni nostri subscriptam.

Post cuiusquidem litere donationis prelecturam publicationem et expositione dictus magistris Joannis Colquhone vigore eiusdem institutit inuestiuit et induxit dictum Joannem in realem actualem ac personalem possessionem dicte preceptorie perpetue hospitalis Sancti Leonardi prope burgum de Peblis juriumque et pertinentiarum eiusdem per [deliberationem] libri missalis calicis casule albe et aliorum vestimentorum prefate capelle Sancti Leonardi in manibus huiusmodi Joannis ibidem personaliter presentis et acceptantis, secundum tenorem vim formam et effectum dicte donationis induxit et inuestituit vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibis omnibus et singulis

sundry our lieges and subjects that they and every of them promptly render yield obey and effectually perform to the foresaid John Hay and his factors in all and singular concerning the said preceptory and in the thankful payment to him of the farms rents emoluments and profits pertaining to the said preceptory and to none other during his life under all pain which can competently follow in that part. Given under our privy seal at Halyrudhous the fifth day of the month of February in the year of our Lord one thousand five hundred and fifty-seven and in the sixteenth of our reign By signature subscribed with the hand of our dearest mother Mary Queen Dowager and Regent of our kingdom.

After the reading publication and explanation of which letter of gift the said master John Colquhoun by virtue thereof instituted invested and inducted the said John in the real actual and personal possession of the said perpetual preceptory of the hospital of Saint Leonard near the burgh of Peebles and rights and pertinents thereof by delivery of the missal book, chalice, casuble, alb, and other vestments of the foresaid chapel of St. Leonard into the hands of the foresaid John there personally present and accepting, and according to the tenor form strength and effect

ipse Joannes possessionem recipiens a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in capella Sancti Leonardi apud summam altare eiusdem horam circiter octauam ante meredíem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem prouidis viris Willelmo Thomsone, Willelmo Smaill incolis dicti hospitalis Willelmo Bourne, Thoma Glado, et domino Joanne Allane capellano ac notario publico testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitus. John Hay master of the hospital of St Leonard.

of the said donation inducted and invested him as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Upon which all and sundry the said John so receiving possession asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the chapel of Saint Leonard at the high altar thereof about the eighth hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written there being present provident men William Thomson, William Smaill inhabitants of the said hospital, William Broune, Thomas Glado, and Sir John Allane chaplain and notary public, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.

11 *July* 1558.

Ordanis the baillies to aggre with Robert Hesilhop incontinent for the bigging of the buttis als guid chep as thai can. Buttis.

28 *July* 1558.

The inqueist ordanis the young man that desyris to teiche the scoill cum vp to Peblis and convene with the baillies and counsale gif thai can conduce him. Scoilemaister.

The inqueist ordanis James Wilsone to bring hame ane cut-throt, ane swiche and powder and calmes, as his bill proportis; and forthir ordanis him to be ansuerit of xxvj s. iiij d. of the rest of the taxt that he is superspendit at the intrant of James Tuedy and Johne Dikesone baillies, and to pay him at his hame cuming sic vantage of his waris as vse is. And forthir referris the ansuer of Sir Johne Allane writtyn vpone the annuellis of Sanct Johne altare to the baillies becaus the thesaurare wes ay ordanit of auld to pay the samyn conforme to his infeftement and as thair bukis proportis of auld, and to sycht thair comptis and pay the annuellis restand to him, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit rolment of court of the said deliuerance. Wilsone. Allan, billis. St John altar.

24 *September* 1558.

Wache. The baillies counsale and communite hes statut and ordanit that the tane half of the tovne walk nychtlie fra nyne houris at ewin quhill vij on the morne, viz., the principale of ilk hous, vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw to be instantlie tane of thame that dissobeyis, and ane of the baillies walk nychtlie with the said wache, and ordanis the saidis vnlawis to be collectit and warit on the mending of the dyke betuix the Eist and North Portis.

Heid dykis. Ordanis the heid dykis rovnd about the tovne to be sufficientlie biggit vnder

Out waches. the said [pane]. And siclike ordanis tua out waches walk nycht about the tovne at places as salbe assignit to them be the baillies.

3 *October* 1558.

Dikesone. Commone. The quhilk day, Thomas Hay of Smethfeild allegit that William Dikesone of Winkestone aucht and suld be removit becaus he hes intromettit with ane pairt of thair commone, telit and brokin the samin, quhilk the said baillies and communte hes *in communa*, incontrare his aith of fidelitie, as wes confessit be the said William Dikesone on Carcado Bank at the redding of the merchis thairof, as instrument tane in Sir Johne Allane hand be Robert Hoppringill baillie for the tyme [beris], and thairfor desyrit him to be removit as elect, and desiris the counsale and communite and juges ansuer thairupone. To the quhilk ansueris Johne Dikesone, sone to the said lard, that the difference betuix the tovne of Peblis and his fader was referrit to tuelf burgessis, sax for the said tovne and sax for the said William, and my lord Yester, quham God assoilye, superiour, and als kepit as the said juges deliuerit, and the diference wes referrit to the said vmquhile lord and the saidis xij chosing men and na wrang in teling as the writting proportis thairupone, and allegit he aucht and suld be admittit to be elect becaus he wes admittit be the counsale of befor.

Bailies. Electi pro balliuis fiendis: William Dikesone, [twenty-two votes]; Johne Wichtman, [twenty-six votes]; Johne Horsburgh, [forty-two votes]; Thomas Cuerhill, [three votes]; Nicholl Vache [two votes]; William Cheisholme, [three votes]. [Wichtman and Horsburgh] admittit and sworne.

16 *January* 1558.

The inqueist ordanis Johne Horsbruk baillie, accumpanit with the thesaurare and ane vther honest man, pas done to Edinburgh to my lord Glasgow and Mr Johne Spence and haif consultatioun quhow thai sall vse the chaplanes prebendaris of the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis that makkis na residence dailie as thair fundationes proportis, and gif thai may of new gif thair prebands or nocht and to haif his lordship ansuer heirapone. Chaplains.

Siclike, the inqueist statutis and ordanis gif ony freman within the burgh of Peblis or nychtbour solistis my lord Glasgw, or ony vther lord spirituale or temporale within the realme of Scotland, to purches ony lordschip, by avise of the counsale or communite of the burgh of Peblis, the purcher thairof incontinent thairefter to be dischargit of thair liberte for euir without ony recounsaling agane.

And siclike, the haill inqueist ordanit Sir Johne Allane to be presentit to the prebendarie of Sanct James altare, situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, and to ressaue vplift and intromet with all and sindry annuellis pertenand thairto baith in Peblis and Edinburgh in tymes cuming, that the samin yeid nocht furth of possessioun, and to append thair commoun seill to the said presentatioun as vse is in ratificatioun of the said presentatioun, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument. St James altar.

16 *March* 1558.

The haill inqueist, except James Robesone, ordanis the act and deliuerance of inqueist maid the sextene day of Januare last bypast to be red and intimat to Johne Scot be the baillies and clerk, and gif my lord of Glasgw makis ony relaxatioun of the sequestratioun of the clerkschip, except the baillies and communite be summond thairto, that the baillies provide ane preist to serf the parrochin vnder appellatioun, and to put this act to executioun without ony delay as the baillies will ansuer of thair office. Chaplains.

5 *May* 1559.

The inqueist ordanis the sojarris and allegit men of weir to depas incontinent of the tovne without ony delay, vnder the pane of banis- Weirmen and vagabondis.

Weirmen and vagabondis.

sing of the tovne, quhilkis ar vagabondis now within the liberte of burgh, to pas and vse thair lefull laubouris and craftis.

Briggis.

The inqueist ordanis the tre briggis and legis of Peblis brig to be mendit be the thesaurare now quhill the watter is litill, and lay the steppis at the wicket in possible haist.

Setting houses.

The inqueist ordanis that na man set ane hous within the fredome of burgh to ane vther, except thai find cautioun that all nychtbouris salbe skaithles of thame, in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving.

25 *June* 1559.

Tueddaill, Broderstanis, textour.

It is appunctit betuix Thomas Tueddaill textour, on that ane part, and Johne Broderstanis in Winkestoun, on that vther part, that is to say the said Johne Broderstanis hes conducit his sone James Broderstanis prentes to the said Thomas, for all the space and termes of vij yeris fra the feist of Witsonday last by past, quhilk salbe the said James entres to the said Thomas, and gif the said James deceis within the saidis vij yeris the saidis James brethir and sister, quhill ane of thame ar in life, sall succeid to the said prenteschip, and the said Thomas sall leir the said James or ony succedand in his place during the saidis vij yeris all and sindry the poyntis of his craft, conforme to thair capacite, and conceill na poyntis thairof fra thame, and sall sustene him or thame sufficientlie in meit and drink as vse of prenteuschip is, and furnis him or thame quhilk succedis yerelie during the saidis vij yeris ane sark; for the quhilk the said Johne Broderstanis sall content and pay to the said Thomas the sovme of sex pundis gud and vsuale money of Scotland at thir termes vnderwritting, viz., thre pundis in hand, xxx s. at Mertymes in anno Domini etc. lx° and at Mertymes in anno Domini etc. lxj° in complet payment of the saidis vj pundis; and gif the said James or ony of thame succedand in his place will nocht remane with the said Thomas at thair craft, bot passis to his said fader, he sall nawayis authorise him or thame thairefter bot chaistify and dant thame as vse is, bot gif the falt be found in the said Thomas, be cognitioun of honest and famous witnes. In witnes heirof, ather of the saidis partiis hes subscriuit this present appunctement, with thair handis tuichand the pen, be the notare vnder writting, at thair command, becaus thai culd nocht writt thame self . . . . Providing

alwayis that the said Johne pay to the seruice of Sanct Seuerane ane pund of walx ane pischare of aile. Tueddaill, Broderstanis, textour.

5 *July* 1559.

The quhilk day, comperit James Frank in presens of the baillies and oblissis him, his airis, to content pay and deliuer to the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, for the siluer chalice wantand in tyme of the deceis of vmquhile Sir Johne Ker chaplane of Geddes Ile, estemit to ten pundis of monei, becaus it wes notourlie knawin that the patene thairof wes thiftuslie stolling, to be payit betuix this and Sanct Andro day the apostle nixttocum, and failyene thairof to rander the said chalice, and siclike to relief Johne Horsbruik baillie at all handis havand entres to the gudis intromettit be him that be skaithles thairof. Chalice. Geddes Ile.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia, personaliter constitutus venerabilis vir, frater Gilbertus Brovne minister de Peblis, [In the year [etc.] In presence of me notary public and of the witnesses underwritten, personally appeared a venerable man, Gilbert Broune, minister of Peblis,] with consent and assent of freris Johne Robyn, Thomas Smyth, Johne Newtoun, James Lowys, religious men, ar content to mak na title nor rycht to ony persone except my lord Yester alanerlie of the place besyde Peblis with the pertinentis, nor set na fewfermes of ony landis pertenying thairto by my lord Yester quha sall haif the first offer thairof, he payand thairfore as vtheris will do; providing allwayis gif we may nocht brouk and jois the samin peceabillie of the auld maner. Attour my lord, his freindis and seruandis, sall mantene and defend the said minister and convent, thair cornes medois and guddis, moveable and vnmoveable, efter thair power. Super quibus, [etc.] Acta erant hec in aula dicte ecclesie. . . [Upon which, [etc.] Done in the hall of the said church. . .] Minister of Peebles and Lord Yester.

19 *July* 1559.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, counsalie gadderit for the commoun weill, hes electit and chosing Gilbert Tuedy, all in ane voce without ony discrepance, to the seruice of Geddes Ile for ane yere Tuedy. Geddes Ile.

Tuedy. Geddes Ile.

tocum, conforme to the fundatioun maid thairupone; providing awayis that the said Gilbert be ane preist within yeir and day.

Tuedy. Wichtman. Arnot Hauch.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, be consent of Sir Johne Tuedy chaplane of our Lady altare fundit and feft within the burgh of Peblis, to the quhilk the saidis baillies and communite ar vndoutit patrones, to sett the four acres of land in Arnot Hauch with the pertinentis in fewferme to James Tuedy [and] Johne Wychtman, and ordanis thair commoun clerk Sir Johne Allane to mak chartour thairupone in dew forme, and that for augmenting of God service and yerelie rent of the said chaplanrie the said James hes grantit to gif yerelie for ilk acre of land xj s. howbeid the same be yere payit alanerlie x s.

Dikesone, clerk.

The quhilk day Johne Dikesone wes creat clerk and maid his aith as vse is to be college to Sir Johne Allane and sit in courtis ay and quhill he be dischargit, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument and protestit for the copy of the act.

31 *July* 1559.

Lady of Kelzow.

Johne Stensone, baillie to Agnes Somervell lady of Kelzow, producit ane chartour, vnder our souerane lord King James the Fift seall, quhair scho hald power to hald courtis, etc., and be vertu thairof replegit James France, attechit at the instance of Walter Thomsone, furth of this court to hir court of Kelzo to be haldin the heid court nixt efter Michaelmes nixt to cum, and the said baillie become souerte to do justice the said day and gaif his collour aith as vse is, and failyene thairof to cum agane to this court; the quhilk chartour was datit at Cowpare the xvij day of December yere of God j^{m} v^{c} xxxiij yere and of our Souerane Lord regne the xxj yeir, and protestit for the copy heirof quhilk the juge decernit to gif on his expensis.

For seruandis.

The inqueist ordanis that na seruandis be found on the gait vnder silence of nycht fra x houris bak, vnder the pane of banissing thame the tovne and escheting of thair feis, and als that na nychtbouris furnis thame drink fra

Flitaris.

the said hour vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving. And that na flitaris nor scauldis be hard on the gait fra this day furth in tyme cuming, vnder the pane of puttin of thame in the cuke stulis, thair to remane induring the baillies will.

2 *October* 1559.

[John Dikesone of Winkestoun and Rowe Scot elected bailies, having received forty-three and forty-six votes, respectively]. Bailies.

11 *October* 1559.

The juges ordanis that na man nor woman intromet in tymes cuming with ane vther manis seruand, without speciale licence of thair maister, and if thai be fre of thair maister; and specialie with Adam Balkesky, seruand to William Bannerman for the tyme, and Johne Williamsone, seruand to William Kid; vnder the pane of warding of thair persouns that brekis this act, and to remane thair induring the baillies willis. For seruandis.

The inqueist findis Thomas Dikesone in the wrang for the calling of Johne Edmond *common theif* and castin of his flesche stule in the gutter and brekin thairof, and siclike John Edmond in the wrang for the casting of his stule fut at him and pulling furth of ane kuyfe. Dikesone, Edmond.

The inqueist admittis the scoilmaister to teiche thair barneis as afore, and that he separat the ynglis redaris to the tolbuth fra the latinists, and that he mak daily residence with the barnes, and gif he techis thame mair diligentlie, quhairthrow thai consaif mair wisdome nor thai did of before, the tovne to haif consideratioun thairof. Scoilmaister.

The inquest ordanis that na fische be coft nor sauld be regratouris in tymes cuming furth of plane mercat, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving, and to be ponist conform to the actis maid of auld. Fish.

And the inqueist ordanis the baillies, as ony commoun besynes occurris, to caus thair officeris warne the counsale on xxiiij houris warnyng in the tolbuth.

18 *October* 1559.

The baillies and communite for the tyme ordanis William Johnsone and Andro Ra to be put in the linkis, becaus thai haif submittit thame in the baillies will to vnderlie correctioun for thair wiffis, quha trublit the tovne on the mercat day and dissobeyit the baillies, and thair to remane induring the baillies will quhill thai fand souerte that thair wiffis suld nocht truble the towne nor dissobey the officeris in tymes cuming. Wives troubling the tovne.

3 *March* 1559.

Novationes in prayeris and preaching.

Johne Dikesone younger of Winkestoun and Rolland Scot, baillies of Peblis, passit to the personale presens of Johne Wallace als appostat and dischargit him to vse ony new novationes of commoun prayeris or preching, becaus the said Johne wes nocht electit be the saidis baillies and parochyn, and that the said baillies wald nocht assist to him nor nane of his sect nor opiniouu, becaus the saidis baillies wald stand vnder the faith and obedience of thair Prince berand authorite for the tyme, nocht beand dischargit be aue ordour and in na contemptiouu of the Lordis of Congregatiouu; and thairupoun the saidis baillies askit instrument. Actit anent the croce of the burgh of Peblis at nyne houris afore novne or thairby before thir witnes: Johne Horsbruk, John Fresall, George Horsbruk, Johne Cranstoun, John Dikesoun burgesses of Peblis, with vtheris diuers.

11 *March* 1559.

Portis.

The baillies hes conducit James Frank to vphald substantiousle thair portis in bandis, nales, lokkis, stapillis, snekkis and all irne graith necessare, in tymes cuming, yerelie, for xx s. of money and aue burges siluer to be payit yerelie at Mertynmes, and the said James hes bound his land for the samin.

Capitane of the wache.

The tovne hes conducit Patrik Gowane to walk nychtlie as capitane, to ressaue the tovne wache nychtlie at nyne houris at ewin and to remane and await vpone thame quhill day lycht, and that he accept nane to the said wache except the principale of ilk hous or ellis ane able man for him, as he will ansuer to the baillies counsale and communite, quhill Beltane day nixt to cum, quhilk salbe admittit be the said capitane; and ordanis the thesaurare to content him for his panis ane boll of malt, ane burges siluer and tua vnlawis; and gif he chances to be absent to imput ane vther substantious man in his place quhill his returnyng to await apone the said wache, and failyene thairof the said Patrik to pay the dowble to the towne.

Middyn steid to be roped.

The inqueist ordanis to rope be opping proclamatiouu the middyn steid at the Briggait port quhilk Robert Murro desyris to se quha will gif maist thairfore for commoun weill.

30 *March* 1560.

Minister of Holy Cross.

Anno Incarnacionis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo die vero mensis Marcii penultimo indictione tercia pontificatusque sanctissimi in Cristo patris et domini nostri domini Pii diuina prouidencia pape [quarti] anno primo: In me notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus venerabilis egregiusque vir frater Gilbertus Brovne minister Sancte Crucis de Peblis alta voce exponendo et declarando qualiter Johannes magister de Maxwell cum certis armigeris in sua comitiua ad assistendum cum dominis congregationis et eo casu dictus minister pro timore vite sue et distructionis sui loci et monasterii mutabat suum habitum vestendo suum album habitum in alterum colore vulgo vocatur *gray keltour govne* et vnum lie *how blak bonet* super et a nulla auersione sue religionis antique. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse frater Gilbertus Brovne sic tremens et formidolosus a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in hospicio Willelmi Dikesone de Winkestoun infra burgum de Peblis horam circiter secundam post merediem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem probis viris Joanne Dikesone balliuo dicti burgi de Peblis pro tempore, Laurencio Horsbruk, Patricio

[In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixty, the thirtieth day of March the fifth indiction and in the first year of the pontificate of the most holy father in Christ and our Lord, the Lord Pius the Fourth by divine providence pope: In presence of me notary public and witnesses under written personally appeared a venerable and worthy man Brother Gilbert Broune minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles and in a loud voice set forth and declared that because John master of Maxwell with certain esquires in his company had come to aid the Lords of the Congregation, therefore the said minister for fear of his life and the destruction of his place and monastery, changed his dress by changing his white habit for a gray keltour gowne and putting on a how black bonnet but not from any hatred of his old religion. Whereupon all and sundry the said brother Gilbert Broune so trembling and fearing asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the house of William Dikesone of Winkestoun within the burgh of Peebles about the second hour after noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written there being present honest men John Dikeson baillie of the said burgh of Peebles for the time, Laurence Horsbruk, Patrick Dikesone, William

Minister of Holy Cross.

Dikesone Willelmo Dickesone burgensibus de Peblis et domino Joanne Allane notario publico, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis.

Dikesone burgesses of Peebles, and Sir John Allane notary public witnesses to the premises specially called and required].

1 *April* 1560.

Frayis.

The baillies and haill inqueist ordanis gif ony man draw ane knyfe or vther wappin to baillie or vther officer in executioun of thair office, that thai salbe reput and halden as manesworne and forfalt thair fredome, and neuir to be reconsalit nor to be acceptit in court nor counsale; and siclike gif any nychtbour knaw fray or suddand tulye be nycht or day, that all maner of man nychtbouris, induellaris within the burgh, compere weill bodyn in feir of weir, as thai may be providit, to concur and assist to the saidis baillies for debait of the tovne, vnder the pane of double vnlaw.

22 *April* 1560.

Wache, army.

The inqueist ordanis half ane quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie quhill the nixt court, weill armit; and ordanis the out wachis to stand still quhill the army rise, the tane to kepe the Eist Port and about that part auld vsit and wont, and the vther about the Castelhill and Auld Tovne.

28 *April* 1560.

Men to ryde to my Duk.

The men suld ryde to the oist to my Duk: The tua baillies, Johne Horsbruk, Thomas Tuedy, Johne Wychtman, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, Arthure Johnkesone, James Robesone, Johne Scot, Patrik Dikesone, William Kid. The counsale ordanis thir tuelf men haif daylie during viij dayis ilk man vj s., and to be modifyit be the baillies quhethir it salbe takin of the common gudis or brokin vtherwayis as thai think caus, and to gif thame of thair common gudis the first thre dayis quhethir thai be admittit or nocht, and becaus the maist honest men abone writting to be brokin afferand to thair gudis.

18 *May* 1560.

Minister of Holy Cross.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia pe sonaliter constitutus honorabilis vir frater Gilbertus Brovne minister

Minister of Holy Cross.

Sancte Crucis de Peblis exposuit et declarauit qualiter die hodierna Joannes Stodert officiarius nobilis et potentis domini Joannis domini de Borthik accessit ad personalem presentiam dicti fratris Gilberti ministri antedicti ipsum premuniendo vigore cuiusdam cedule ad remouendum se suos et res a suo prato jacente apud Kingisland infra parochiam de Peblis et vicecomitatum eiusdem asserendo huiusmodi premonitio minime esse legittima in se ex et pro eo quod tempus premonitionis preteritum erat per spacium trigenta dierum et quod dictus Joannes officiarius antedictus non offerebat neque dedit dicto ministro autenticam copyam dicte cedule siue precepti contra omnes juris ordinem et statutorum parliamenti: providendo quod dictus minister persoluerit dicto nobili domino et suis factoribus pluribus aut vni de omnibus firmis dicti prati pro omnibus termis elapsis. Quare solemniter protestabitur pro remedio juris tempore et loco congruentibus. Super quibus . . . [In the year, [etc.] In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written, personally appeared an honourable man brother Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peblis, and set forth and declared how that on that very day John Stodart, officer of a noble and potent lord John Borthwik, went to the personal presence of the said brother Gilbert, minister aforesaid, and warned him by virtue of a certain schedule to remove himself his family and goods from his field lying at Kingisland within the parish of Peblis and sheriffdom thereof, and asserted that the said warning was not in itself lawful because the term of warning was passed for a period of thirty days, and that the said John, the aforesaid officer, did not offer or give to the said minister a true copy of the said schedule or precept, against all order of law and the statutes of the kingdom; providing that the said minister paid to the said noble lord and his factors, one or more, all the rents of the said field for all terms bypast. Wherefore he solemnly protested for remeid of law at a fitting time and place. Whereupon . . .]

29 *September* 1560.

Sir Johne Allane was creat clerk of the said burgh to vse the office thairof lelelie and treulie, and maid his aith as vse is, and thairupon askit instrument. Sir John Allane, clerk.

[Johne Dikesone and James Tuedy elected bailies, having received forty one and thirty two votes, respectively; sworn and admitted.] Bailies.

14 *October* 1560.

The inqueist ordanis to put doun James Stewart biggyn in the Auld Tovne newlie biggit, be the baillies and counsale sworne thairto, gif thai Buildings taken down.

Buildings taken down.

think ony hurt thairintill, and all vtheris rowmes and choppis on the hie gait that thai think ony hurt to the tovne and commoun weill.

27 *October* 1560.

Gudis in the archidene place.

Johne Dikesone, baillie and factour to Allane Dikesone, ressait of the insycht gudis in the archidene place in Peblis, at command of the said Allane writting direct to William Kelle, kepare of the said place for the tyme, be the said William confessioun and deliuerance :—Item, in primis, tua beddis wantand the sydis nixt the wall, togidder with ane burd at the fut and heid of the saidis beddis, ane veschell almery, xj daillis, ij pecis of daillis pertenand to the revestry, tua daillies pertenand to the archidene, sax fir sparris, sax akin sparris, thre caber sparris of fir, viij pece of auld tymber of Sanct Michaell land, ane garddewyot, the key thairof in William Kelle hand, ane fedder bed, ane wardour, ane burd without credill, tua stand beddis, ane pot, ane payr of sand pokkis, ane obseruatour of irne to the ewcharist, ane certane new gles, ane irne chymnay ; and the said William discharges the said Johne of ony forthir intromission except thir gudis abone writting alanerlie.

30 *October* 1559.

Choppis and biggiunis.

The haill inqueist ordanis the baillies to gang till all and sindry choppis and new biggynnis within the burgh of Peblis, baith in Auld and New Towne, accumpanit with the maist part of the counsale, and sycht the samin within four dayis, and sycht the saidis choppis and biggynnis that is biggit by ane ordour of ground title, and caus craftismen incontinent on the tovne expensis remoif the samin safar as thai hurt ony libertie or commoun weill, and thai that hes title to produce the samin in the meintyme within xlviij houris, and imputtis the wyte thairof to the saidis baillies gif ony perellis occuris thairthrow.

Quene of Yngland's marriage.

The said day, James Wilsone and Stene Robesone maid ane bargane and bonspule on this maner, viz., the said James weddit ane tar barrale that the Quene grace of Yngland suld mary the king of Swane sua scho war marrit with any man for ane yere, and Stene Robesone weddit ten merkis of money aganes the said tar barrell that scho suld nocht mary the said king of Swane.

20 *November* 1560.

Lords of congregation.

The baillies and communite ordanis the baillies till gang till Edinburgh to the Lordis of Congregatioun to provide ane minister and precheour, and vther commoun effaris concernyng commoun weill.

Pykaris.

The baillies and communite ordanis the auld actis and statutis of the pykaris to be obseruit and kepit, and gif ony man will apprehend ony pykaris, sic as steling of caill, erbis, scheip, petis, tirvis, hedder, cornis or ony vther gudis, or ressait of ony thevis, on fut or hors, quha will mak it knawin to the baillies and counsale thai sall haif for thair panes xx s. and mair as the falt requiris, that thairefter the saidis pykaris may be pvnist conforme to thair demeritis and banist the tovne.

28 *November* 1560.

Minister.

The baillies and counsale of the burgh of Peblis, convenit in the tolbuth of the said burgh, modifiit Johne Dikesone, minister of the commoun prayeris in our kirk of Peblis, fourty pundis vsuale money of Scotland for his seruice of this instant yere, anno Domini, etc., ane thowsand v^{c} and lx yeris, and to be vpliftit be the said Johne Dikesone, minister forsaid, of the reddyest of the persoun gudis and geirris; and in caice the said Johne be nocht thankfullie ansuerit of this his feall we the saidis baillies desyris the saidis lordis of secreit counsale at our requeist, for fortificatioun thairof, to gif him letteris to be ansuerit conforme to the consuetude of vtheris burrois, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument.

11 *December* 1560.

Pure folkis.

The haill inquest can gif na deliuerance on the pure folkis billis, viz., Robert Atzin wife, Mergreit Dikesone, Andro Ra, becaus thai haif na commoun gude in pos, bot gif the baillies wilbe sa gud to collect in the burges siluer restand vnpayit and ansuer ilk ane of thame respectiue of ane part of the samin efferand to thair habilite.

Publict falts.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies and counsaill to convene on Friday nixtocum and pas throuch the tovne and note thame that ar culpable in ony publict falt, to repreif thame, on ane secreit maner, to reforme thame seffis

Publict faits. conforme to the law of God, and assign ane day to thame to do the samin, and quha beis dissobedient to be publictlie pvnist conforme to the rite of vtheris burrois.

Parish Church. Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri Jacobus Tuedy et Joannes Dikesone balliui burgi de Peblis vnacum consilio dicti burgi accesserunt ad personalem presentiam Gilberti Brovne ministri de Peblis habentes et tenentes suis in manibus quandam literam dominorum secreti consilii ipsum Gilbertum humiliter requirendo quatenus desiderium huiusmodi litere perimpleret quam mihi notario publico subscripto perlegendam publicandam et in publicam instrumenti formam redigendam tradidit, cuius tenor sequitur sub hac forma et est talis: [In the year, etc. In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared honourable men James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peebles and went with the council of the said burgh to the personal presence of Gilbert Brounc minister of Peblis having and holding in their hands a certain letter of the Lords of Secret Council and humbly asked him to implement the desire of the said letter which he delivered to me notary public subscribing to be read published and drawn up in form of public instrument; of which the tenor follows under the form and is thus:] My Lordis of Secrete counsale vnto your lordschippis menis and schewis we your seruitouris the burgessis and inhabitantis of the toun of Peblis that quhair our paroche kirk wes brint and distroyit be Yngland xii yeris syne or thairby and the same may on na wayis be biggit at this present but lang proceis and greit expensis and the Trinite Freris kirk is as yit standand and is verray commodius to ws to be our paroche kirk and we sall addres the samin in all sortes as efferis and exclude furth of the samin all maner of ydolatry becaus instantlie we ar destitute and wantis ane kirk quhairthrow we may nocht resorte at tyme convenient to the preching of Goddis word and ministerie of the sacramentis as appirtenis to christianis to haif thairfore we besik your lordschippis to grant ws ye said Freir kirk to be our paroche kirk and gif till ws your lordschippis command to be our warrand for intromissioun thairwith to the effect foirsaid according to justice and your lordschippis ansuer humlie we besik. Sequuntur subscriptiones dominorum secreti consilii. Apud Edinburgh septimo Decembris anno Domini etc. sexagesimo. Fiat vt petitur. James, James Stewart, Wchiltre, Johne Erskin, Cuningameheid, Johne Wischert. Post cuiusquidem litere perlec-

turam et publicationem idem Gilbertus Brovne minister de Peblis ea reuerenca qua dicuit obtemperauit et obediuit et possessionem dicte ecclesie secundum tenorem et desiderium eiusdem prefatis balliuis nomine dictorum parochianorum dedit per deliberacionem clauis ostii anterioris eiusdem. Prouidendo quod huiusmodi possessio non erit in preiudicium annuorum reddituum et proficuorum predicti loci et conventus eiusdem sed in illorum vsus permaneant sicut consuetum fuerat temporibus transactis absque preiudicio predicti ministri et conventus eiusdem. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipsi balliui nomine et ex parte consulum predicti burgi a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesia horam circiter vndecimam ante meredium sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem discretis viris magistro Joanne Colquhone decano Christianitatis de Peblis, Dionisio Elphingstoun de Henderstoun, Joanne Newtoun, Thoma Smyth, religiosis, et Willelmo Dikesone, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatus et requisitis. [Follow the signatures of the Lords of Secret Council. At Ediuburgh the seventh of December in the year of God etc. sixty. Let it be done as prayed. James, James Stewart, Uchiltre, Johne Erskin, Cuningameheid, Johne Wischert. After the reading and publishing of which letter the said Gilbert Broune minister of Peebles with the reverence which became him fulfilled and obeyed the same and gave possession of the said church according to the tenor and desire thereof to the foresaid bailies in name of the said parishioners by delivery of the key of the outer door thereof. Providing that the said possession should not be in prejudice of the annual rents and profits of the foresaid place and convent but that they should remain for their use as was accustomed in times past without prejudice to the foresaid minister and convent thereof. Whereupon all and sundry the said bailies, in name and behalf of the councillors of the foresaid burgh, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above-written, there being present discreet men master John Colquhone dean of the Christianity of Peebles, Dionysius Elphinstoun of Henderstoun, John Newtoun, Thomas Smyth, clerks, and William Dikesone, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

Parish Church.

Eodem die anno loco et testibus suprascriptis Gilbertus Brovne minister Sancte Crucis de Peblis protestabatur quod obedienta et obtemperancia sua facta de litera dominorum secreti consilii balliuis dicti burgi de Peblis penes ecclesiam suam non erit in preiudicium suorum annuorum reddituum et pro-

Parish Church.

ficuorum predicti loci et conuentus eiusdem sed quod in illorum vsus maneant permaneant sicut consuetum fuerat temporibus transactis absque preiudicio dicti ministri et conuentus eiusdem et super hiis petiit instrumentum. [On the same day year and place, and before the aforesaid witnesses, Gilbert Broune, minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles, protested that his obedience and fulfilment of the letter of the lords of the secret council to the bailies of the said burgh of Peebles concerning his church should not be to the prejudice of his annual rents and profits of the foresaid place and convent thereof but that the same should remaiu for their use as custom was in times past, without prejudice to the said minister and the convent thereof, and thereupon he asked an instrument.]

In me notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Dionisius Elphingstoun de Henderstoun, nomine et mandato parochianorum parochie de Peblis commorantium in rure, quod ipse et ceteri parochiani noluerunt consentire quod dicta ecclesia sancte crucis non esset eorum ecclesia parochialis ex et pro eo quod dicti parochiani dissentiebant prout tenore presentis instrumenti dissentiunt non obstante donatione abtenta de predicta ecclesia per balliuos burgi de Peblis pro tempore. Insuper dictus Dionisius, nomine et mandato dictorum parochianorum in rure commorantium infra parochiam de Peblis, requisiuit humiliter rectorem parochie de Peblis si aliquis fuerit aut eius factores eius nomine et similiter requisiuit humiliter vicarium aut eius ministrum ad faciendum ministrationem orationum communium et sacramentorum in eorum ecclesia parochiali beati Andree de Peblis more solito secundum tenorem eorum provisionum desuper obtentarum secundum ritum nunc temporis regni Scocie seruantem ipse Dionisius ministrare voluerit per se sicuti Joannes Dikesone ministrauit ex et pro eo quod ipse non nouit aliquem ministrum electum per dominos secreti consilii aut aliter per parochianos vt consuetum est nunc temporis protestando solemniter pro remedio juris tempore et loco congruentibus. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Dionisius Elphingstoun nomine et mandato dictorum parochinarum commorantium in rure infra dictam parochiam de Peblis a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica, instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesie sancte crucis horam circiter vndecimam ante merediem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem discretis viris, Magistro Joanne Colquhone decano Christianitutis de Peblis, Thoma Hay magistro de Yester, Andrea Hay seruitore dicte Thome Hay, Ronaldo Scot burgense de Peblis et Willelmo Dikesone

de Winkestoun. testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis. Parish Church.
[In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared an honest man Dionysius Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, and in the name and at the command of the parishioners of the parish of Peebles who dwell in the country, and stated that he and the other parishioners would not consent that the said church of Holy Cross should be their parish church, like as the said parishioners dissented and by the tenor of the present instrument dissent therefrom, notwithstanding the gift of the foresaid church obtained by the bailies of Peebles for the time. Moreover the said Dionisius, in the name and at the command of the said parishioners dwelling in the country within the parish of Peebles, humbly required the rector if there was one, or his factors in his name, and likewise humbly required the vicar or his minister to perform the service of common prayers and sacraments in their parish church of St Andrew of Peebles in accustomed form, according to the tenor of their provisions thereupon obtained, agreeably to the rite of the kingdom of Scotland now observed, and he the said Dionisius wished to minister by himself in the same way as Johne Dikesone had ministered, because he did not know any minister had been elected by the Lords of the Secret Council or otherwise by the parishioners as was then accustomed, protesting solemnly for remeid of law at a fitting time and place. Upon which all and sundry the said Dionisius Elphingstoun, in the name and on the behalf of the said parishioners dwelling in the country within the said parish of Peebles, asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church of the Holy Cross about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written. There being present discreet men Master John Colquhone dean of the Christianity of Peebles, Thomas Hay master of Yester, Andrew Hay servant of the said Thomas Hay, Ronald Scot burgess of Peebles and William Dikesone of Winkestoun, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Thomas Hay magister de Yester accessit ad personalem presentiam honorabilium virorum Jacobi Tuedy et Joannis Dikesone balliuorum burgi de Peblis pro tempore solemniter protestando quod donatio ecclesie sancte crucis de Peblis obtente per balliuos dicti burgi a dominis secreti consilii pro ecclesia parochiali de Peblis fiende non esset in preiudicium sui tituli et prioris premissi sibi facte per Gilbertum Brovne ministrum dicte ecclesie vt lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse Thomas Hay a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in pretorio burgi de Peblis horam circiter duodecimam in meredie sub anno die mense

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indictione et pontificatu quibus supra. Presentibus ibidem discretis viris Andrea Hay scruitore dicti Thome Joanne Mathesone, Adamo Gilleis et Kentigerno Williamsone testibus ad premissa rogatis et specialiter et requisitis. [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under-written personally appeared an honourable man Thomas Hay master of Yester and went to the personal presence of honourable men, James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peebles for the time, solemnly protesting that the gift of the church of the Holy Cross of Peebles obtained by the bailies of the said burgh from the lords of the secret council to be made the parish church of Peebles, should not be in prejudice of his title and prior provision made to him by Gilbert Brovne minister of the said church, as clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the said Thomas Hay asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the Tolbooth of the burgh of Peebles about the twelfth hour of noon of the year month day indiction and pontificate above written. There being present discreet men Andrew Hay servant of the said Thomas, John Mathesone, Adam Gilleis and Mungo Williamsone, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.]

12 *December* 1560.

Minister.

Robert Hesilhope and Robert Scot burgessis of Peblis, coniunctlie and seueralie, ar becummyng souertes and cautionaris for the releif of the cornes presentlie standand in the archidene yard within the burgh of Peblis, arreistit at Johne Dikesone instance as reddyest gudis and geir for the payment of fourty pundis of money to the said Johne conforme to the modificatioun maid be the counsale, as law will for the saidis cornes intromettit with maister William Currour, and for the causes forsaidis James Tuedy baillie relaxit the said arreistament maid on the saidis cornes and acceptit this present act thairupone.

20 *December* 1560.

Adulteraris and fornicatouris.

The souerteis of the adulteraris and fornicatouris, tane be the consale, to mary or ellis abstene in tymes cuming:—Katherine Mc Gowane fand Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, to mary or ellis abstene. Cristiane Litill fand Rowe Scot, souerte. James Poynt fand Johne Dikesone souerte that he sall fulfill the band with Katherine Andersone. William Rechartsone hand and land to abstene fra bannyng and blasphematioun of the naym of God. John Dikesone fand his hand and land to abstene fra Helene

Achesone. Andro Ra souerte for his wife for flyting. Jonet Thomsone fand Rowe Scot souerte to abstene fra Robert Hillsone. Sir Johne Allane fand his hand and land souertie till abstene fra Margreit Dik. Jonet Gibsone and George Elphingstoun to convene on Sonday nixt to cum afore the congregatioun to mak his aith quhethir he promist to mary hir or nocht. [Eight other persons come under obligations similar to the above.] All thir persones vnder the panes contenit in the deliuerance of the inqueist, maid the xi day of December instant. Adulteraris and fornicatouris.

The baillies and counsale decernis Thomas Thomsone ane adulterare, and to remoif his concuby Jonet Foulare fra him betuix this and Sonday nixtocum, and to convene the said day in face of the congregatioun and ask God Almychty forgifnes and the congregatioun for all offences bygane that he hes done to his lauchfull wife Cristian Wilkesone, and to be cartit on Tuesday nixttocum in presens of the mercat, and thairefter to pas serce and seik the said Cristiane his spous quhair scho can be apprehendit, betuix this and the purificatioun of our Lady nixt tocum, and bring ane sufficient testimoniall of his exact diligence quhethir scho be deid or levand, vnder the panes contenit in the said act.

And siclike ordanis Johne Naper and Cristian Rechartsone, Isabell Gordoun, Robert Murro, Christian Phillip, to be cartit for thair inobedience.

The baillies and counsale ordanis that na man nor woman wirk in tymes cuming on the Sabaoth day, vnder the panis of viij s. the first falt, xvj s. the secund falt, and banissing of the tovne the thrid falt. Sabaoth day.

Ordanis the baillies to pas to Edinburgh to the lordis and get ane minister to schaw the trew word of God, and to modify him ane ressonable fee quhairthrow he may haif his honest sustentatioun thairfore, and to direct thair letteres to performe the samin. Minister.

27 *January* 1560.

Anno, [etc.] In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constituti honorabiles viri Jacobus Tuedy et Joannes Dikesone balliui burgi de Peblis vnacum communitate eiusdem accesserunt ad per- Parish Church.

In the year [etc.] In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared honourable men James Tuedy and John Dikesone baillies of the burgh of Peblis, and together with the community thereof, went

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sonalem presenciam honesti viri Gilberti Brovn ministri de Peblis et ibidem ipsum secundum desiderium dominorum congregationis humiliter requiserunt quatenus ipse Gilbertus deliberaret dictis balliuis et communitati burgi de Peblis suam ecclesiam dictis balliuis et communitati quatenus huiusmodi ecclesiam in sua ecclesia parochiali permaneret. Quiquidem minister obtemperauit desiderio dictorum balliuorum et communitatis deliberando dictis balliuis in signum sue obedientie claues dicti ecclesie sic vt inposterum pacificam haberent possessionem in et ad huiusmodi ecclesiam tanquam suam ecclesiam parochialem temporibus futuris, qui balliui huiusmodi claues receperunt. Et vlterius dictus minister ordinauit ceteros suos confratres et conventus se dispersos temporibus futuris tenerent ne post hac in huiusmodi loco conuenerunt protestando solemniter dictus minister quod eius obedientia penes deliberationem dictarum clauium prefate ecclesie predictis balliuis non esset in preiudicium proficuorum et annuorum reddituum dicti loci et conventus eiusdem sed quod vsus eorundem permanebit sibi ministro et conventui eiusdem durate ipsorum vita vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse minister a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant hec in dicta ecclesia hora circiter ix ante meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus

to the personal presence of an honest man Gilbert Broun minister of Peblis and there humbly requested the said Gilbert, according to the desire of the lords of the congregation, to yield up his church to the said baillies and community of the burgh of Peebles that the same might remain with the said baillies and community as their parish church, which minister fulfilled the desire of the said baillies and community by delivering to the said baillies in sign of his obedience the keys of the said church that they might have henceforward quiet possession of and in the said church as their parish church in time coming; which baillies received the said keys. And moreover the said minister commanded his other brethren and the convent to live separate in time coming and not to assemble thereafter in the said place; the said minister protesting solemnly that his obedience in delivering the said keys of the aforesaid church to the said baillies should not be in prejudice of the profits and annual rents of the said place and convent thereof, but that the use thereof should remain with him the minister and the convent thereof during their lives, as to me notary public clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the said minister asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the said church about the ninth hour before noon of the year day month

supra presentibus, ibidem honestis viris Jacobo Wilsone: Joanne Scot, Andrea Thorbrand et Kentigerno Williamsone, incolis burgi de Peblis testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis. Parish Church.

Eodem die anno loco et testibus suprascriptis honorabilis vir Thomas Smyth olim religiosus nomine et ex parte conventus dicti loci respondebat quod pro nullo modo separati fuerint de loco pro vllo crimine aut culpa notorio et quod fuerunt omnibus temporibus transactis a die insurrectionis dominorum congregationis obedientes in omnibus dictorum dominorum prout de presenti extant obedientes in singulis sibi per nos eiis impositis protestando vt supra quod predicta separatio eorum non preiudicaret eiis de eorum annuis proficuis et vitalibus redditibus. Et super his petiit instrumentum vnum seu plura vt supra.

indiction and pontificate above-written, there being present honest men: James Wilsone, John Scot, Andrew Thorbrand and Mungo Williamsone, inhabitants of the burgh of Peblis, witnesses to the premises specially called and required.

On the same day year and place, and before the before-written witnesses, an honourable man Thomas Smyth, formerly a religious man, in the name and behalf of the said convent, protested that they were in no way separated from the place for any crime or notorious fault, and that they had been in times past from the day of the insurrection of the lords of the congregation obedient, in all things to the said lords, likeas they would be still obedient in anything they should require of them, protesting as above that the foresaid separation should not prejudice them of their annual profits and life rents. And upon this he asked instruments one or more as before.

10 *February* 1560.

The quhilk day, John Dikesone prolocutour for Gilbert Brovne, wardane of the Trinite freris, tuk instrument that it wes fund be interloquutour that the said wardane suld answer afore the baillies as ane mychtbour, and Johne Dikesone foirsaid proteistit that the said interloquutour suld nocht be preiudiciale to the said wardane jurisdictoun and privelege in tymes coming. Wardane of the Trinite freris.

The quhilk day, towart the persute of Katherine Wilsone actioun, the relict of vmquhile Ninane Lowys, on that ane part, complenand on Gilbert Brovne, wardane of the Trinite freris, on that vther part, and the said Katherine persewit the said Gilbert Brovne, Johne Wilsone and Robert Wilsone his sone, of the spule allegit spulyeit be the saidis Johne and Robert Wilsone; in respect thairof the said Katherine desyrit the baillies of our burgh of Peblis in jugement to be juge competent to the said actioun, con-

Wardane of the Trinite freris.

forme to the requeist and desyre of my Lord Duke Graces missiue direct to thame thairupone, subscrinit vnder his Graces signet and subscriptioun manuale, of the dait at Edinburgh the xvij day of Januare yere of God j^{m} v^{c} lx yeris; and sua at the comperance of the said Gilbert Brovne, wardane foirsaid, the saidis baillies requirit and desyrit of him gif he wald admit thame as juge competent to take cognitioun in the said spulye, and the said wardane foirsaid denyit to admit the said baillies as juges competent becaus it lyis nocht in the baillies commissioun to sit upone spulye, and be vertu of the saidis allegeancis procedit na ferther in the said actioun.

Johne Dikesone, customer.

The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone is admittit to collect and gadder the small customes of the burgh of Peblis for ane yere nixt heirefter followand, payand heirfore auchtene merkis thre schillingnis iiij d., and sall raise na novationes vtheris nor hes bene thir hundreth yeris bygane, and sall vphald the metluminis ferlottis and peckis, weis, wey balkis and wechtis, sufficientlie, and deliuer the samin als gud as he ressauis thame, viz., viij ferlottis, four pekkis, and sall mak payment thairof as vse is to the chakkar and xx dayis afore the ische of the yere and bring discharge thairof for the yere bygane and this present yere baith, and fund Johne Horsbruk and Rolland Scot, coniunctlie and seueralie, souerties for payment of the samin, and the said Johne oblist for thair releif.

3 *March* 1560.

Rude acre.

The juge and haill communite, as vndouttit patrones of the rude altare, with consent and assent of Sir James Dauidsone chaplane thairof, [hes set] the rude acre in fewferme to Gilbert Hay, payand thairfore yerelie to the said chaplane and his successouris xj s. gude and vsuale money, at tua vsuale termes, conforme to the chartour maid thairupone, and thairupone the said Gilbert askit instrument.

21 *June* 1561.

Bedellis, pure folk.

The counsale ordanis James Douchell to rander the keyis of the west wolt vnder the tolbuth to the officiaris for the ressait of pure folkis, decrepit bedellis, to be harbryit thairintill, and to warne James Douchell to red his holis within certane dayis that the ledder now in the saidis hoilis may be esy tane furth of the same, and the claus of warrandice to be dissoluit, and als ordanis the stallenges to be brokin efter nowne.

And siclike ordanis Thomas Tuedy, thesaurare, and Patrik Newtoun, to collect and gadder the cherite and almous to the pure for ane moneth nixt heirefter, begynnand on Sonday nixtocum, and the thing collectit to be equalie distribute amangnis the bedellis and pure folk efter thair discretioun. Cherite and almous.

Siclike, ordanis the officeris to pas to all and sindry fornicatouris and warne thame to remoif and separat thame selffis sindry betuix this and Monunday nixtocum, and failyene thairof to be publictlie pvnyst according to thair demeritis, and speciale thame quhilk hes of before manesworne vtheris, makkand intimatioun quha dissobeyis salbe banist the tovne. Fornicatouris.

And als providis all and sindry houshaldaris within this burgh that hes ony seruandis, men or women, that is fundin culpable of ony fornicatioun in tymes cuming fra this day furth that thair maisteris manteinaris thairof sal pay x li vnforgeving, and the trespassouris to be brynt on the cheik with ane irne, and als all sclanderaris to be pvnist in maner foirsaid and be banist the tovne for euir. Fornicatouris and sclanderaris.

19 *July* 1561.

Ordanis ane of the baillies, with thre or four honest men, pas done to Edinburgh and rais letteres apone Gledstanis and his complices for the slauchter of William Bell. Slauchter of William Bell.

The baillies counsale and communite, present for the tyme, ordanit Thomas Tuedy, thesaurare of the burgh of Peblis, to ansuer thair commoun seruand and oratour Sir Johne Allane, prebendare of Sanct Johne altare situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, of xxviij libr. of the annuellis of the said altare restand awand to him bygane, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tymes cuming, conforme to his provisioun and Quenis graces letteres direct thairupone vnder the panes contenit in the saidis letteres, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court. Allane, prebendar of Sanct Johne.

4 *August* 1561.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to sycht the towrpykis in Edinburgh and cheppis, and thairefter ordanis the saidis baillies accumpanit with thair nychtbouris and honest men of the burgh of Peblis thairefter to sycht the Towrpykis and chepis.

Towrpykisand chepis. said cheppis within the burgh of Peblis and to vse thame efter the consuetude of Edinburgh ; providing alwayis thai haif thair aduocat consultatioun heirintill.

6 *October* 1561.

Baillies. Patrik Dikesone and Johne Horsbruk [with sixty two and forty four votes, respectively,] electit baillies, sworne and maid thair athis as vse is, and admittit.

14 *October* 1561.

Strangearis. It is statut that na strangearis be ressauit vnder silence of nycht within the liberte of the burgh bot that the samin be maid manifest to the baillies, and that thai remaine quhill the morn day lycht and ansuer for thame that na man be plentus of thame.

Flescheouris. Item, that na flescheouris duelland in landwart sel ony flesche within the liberte of burgh in small partis bot in haill carkaces or leggis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving.

Ravissing. Item, the inqueist ordanis Robert Bullo to compere on Sonday nyxttocum in presens of the congregatioun and thair ask Merioun Stensone forgifnes for the ravissing of hir, and gif he refusis this correctioun to be bound with ane paper about his heid on the mercat day at the croce and remane thair publictlie for xxiiij houris.

3 *November* 1561.

The counsale. The counsale electit for this present yere :—Johne Dikesone, James Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, William Dikesone, Rolland Scot, Johne Wychtman, Johne Dikesone yonger, Johne Scot persone, William Dikesone younger, Nicholl Vache, James Frank, George Horsbruk, Robert Hesilhope, Stene Robesone, Johne Fresall, John Cranstoun, Arthour Johnkesone, James Govane elder, Thomas Patersone, Johne Wilsone, Mertyn Hay.

The baillies and haill communite hes electit thir personis abone writting to be thair counsale for ane yere, quhilkis wer sworne and admittit ; and that na thing be done in tymes cuming without avise of the counsale and baillies, and gif ony thingis be done without avise of the saidis baillies and counsale to be of nane effect.

7 *November* 1561.

The counsale ordanis the outland burgessis to pay x lib. to furnis the baillies and nychtbouris to Jedburgh, and failyene thairof to call thame to ane peremptour court and deprive thame of thair liberte, and ordanis the baillies to call thame be attechement to the nixt court. Outland burgesses.

19 *January* 1561.

The inqueist fyndis James Frank wife in the wrang in the vsing Jonet Patersone rovme in the milne aganes hir willing, pulling of hir corsay of hir heid, and rugging of hir hair. Milne, assault.

4 *February* 1561.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes set thair small customes of the burgh of Peblis to Johne Dikesone, younger of Winkestoun, for ane yere, customer, payand heirfore tuenty pundis of money. . . . The custum setting.

5 *February* 1561.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes electit and chosing thir persones vnder writting elderis and senioris, baith in burgh and land, to vse thair offices trewlie to the setting furth of the glory of God and his trew and faithfull word and pvnisment of transgressouris of his holy commandementis as efferis, conforme to the laudabill vse and rite of vtheris burrowis, inuiolabille to be obseruit in tymes cuming, of the quhilkis the names followis : Elders, seniors and deacons.

Elderis and senioris:—James Robesone, Johne Scot, Johne Wychtman, James Frank, James Tuedy, William Dikesone elder, Johne Fresall, Thomas Tuedy, Denys Elphingstoun, Thomas Tuedy capitane.

Deaconis:—Arche Scot, Alexander Lauder, Dauid Robesoun younger, Patrik Newtoun, James Wilsone, Rolland Scot, William Dikesone and in his absence Johne Dikesone.

The elderis and decanis hes electit and chosing Johne Allane to be thair minister in tymes cuming, conforme to Johne Willock and Johne Dauidsone, ministeris in Glasgw, admissioun, desyrand effectuslie Johne Knox, superintendent of Edinburgh, to admit the same be his subscriptioun manuale in corroboratioun of the superintendence of Glasgw admissioun ; and thairupone Minister.

Minister. the said Johne Allane askit instrument and protestit for the names of the saidis elderis and deceanis and for the rolment of court. And forthir ordanit thair thesaurare to ansuer the said Johne of v merkis of money of thair commoun gudis to gang to Edinburgh to the preching and exercise to beir his expensis, etc.

Meill. It is statut and ordanit be the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis that na man that cumis to this mercat to by meill on the mercat day be ansuerit quhill the tovne and schyre be first seruit, and that na coupparis by na mair meill nor he will turs away to staik him self on horsbak to the nixt mercat day; and that nane be set nor ressauit in houssis be ony of the nychtbouris or induellaris within the burgh, vnder the pane of escheting of the same.

Malt. Siclike, that na ground malt be sauld in landward be bocht be ony nychtbouris or induellaris of the burgh in tymes cuming except it be presentit to the mercat croce, vnder the pane of escheting of the same that brekis this present act.

Kirk gudis. Siclike, ordanis that the gudis and geyr presentlie within the Hie Kirk and kirk dykis, to be arreistit be the sheref officer and officiaris of the burgh, that nane be tane away in tyme cuming, vnder the pane of ten pundis to be payit without ony mercy, and forthir to be accusit as accordis of the law.

The deking of the wobstaris. The counsale ordanis the wobstaris till haif ane deking yeirlie, to be chosing at Michaelmes, induring the baillies will, vsand thame in all sortes conforme to the rest of vtheris burrowis, and in speciale as Dunde and Edinburgh, and conforme to thair auld rolment of court producit thairupone.

Toun's libertie. The consale ordanis the baillies and thesaurare gang done till Edinburgh to the Quenis grace and se gif thai can get ane new confirmatioun of thair libertie conforme to the auld confirmationes grantit of before be hir graces progenitouris.

2 *March* 1561.

Dekyng of wobstaris elected. Johne Wilsone is electit dekyn to the wobstaris quhill Michaelmes nixtocum, conforme to the ordour of vtheris burrowis; and to collect thair wolklie penny and to be distribute be sycht of the baillies to the pure folkis, and for thair laute fand Johne Dikesone of Melvingland souerte.

The inqueist ordanis the vestmentis to be ropit and quha will gif maist thairfore to be ansuerit thairof betuix this and Weddynnisday nixtocum, and the money gotting for thame to be distribute to pure houshaldaris be avise of the counsale and baillies. Vestmentis.

4 *March* 1561.

The counsale hes chosing James Tuedy [and seven others] to gif vp the pure houshaldaris and pure folk within thair quarteris as thai maist mister conforme to thair indigence, that the money gotting for the vestmentis may be destribut amangnis thame be thair discretioun, and the baillies to tak the billis vndeliuerit with avise of the said chosing men abone writting and deliuer thairupone be thair discretioun les or mair as thai think maist expedient. Vestmentis, pure folk.

The counsale statutis and ordanis that the decanis sall, euery ane in thair quarter, gif vp trewlie all fornicatouris, adulteraris, beraris of fals witnes, sklanderaris, pykaris, blasphemaris of God name, and quhatsumeuery vtheris transgressouris of the commandementis of God, to ressaue thair correctioun be thair avise and avise of the counsall, that condigne pvnisment may be put to thame as God word dois appoynt; and that the same act be put to executioun, and that the saidis offendouris names to be registrat betuix this and the xij day of Merche instant. Fornicatouris, etc.

18 *May* 1562.

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia personaliter constitutus honestus vir Ronaldus Scot thesaurarius burgi de Peblis pro tempore nomine et mandato balliuorum consulum et communitatis dicti burgi exposuit et declarauit qualiter balliui consules et communitas dicti burgi de Peblis perambulauerant more solito metas antiquas et diuisas inter proprietatem dicti burgi vulgo vocatam Caidmuir et metas de Bonyntoun, Marches of Caidmur, &c.

In presence of me, notary public, and witnesses under written, personally appeared an honest man, Ranald Scot, treasurer of the burgh of Peblis for the time, and in the name and at the command of the baillies, councillors, and community of the said burgh, set forth and declared that the baillies, councillors, and community of the said burgh of Peblis had perambulated, in accustomed form, the ancient meillis and marches between the property of the said burgh anciently

Marches of Caidmuir, &c.

Cruxtoun, Hundelishope, Halyardis, Miltoun et merche dike spectantes et pertinentes herediarie heredibus earundem et precipue Joanni Gledstanis de Cokelaw et in perambulatione dictarum metaram inter dictas terras nullum obiectum fuerit impedimentum sed easdem pacifice perambulauerunt nullo contradictione vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus. . . . .

called Caidmuir and the marches of Bonyntoun, Cruxton, Hundelishope, Halyairdis, Miltoun, and Merchdyke, pertaining and belonging heritably to the heritors thereof, and specially to John Gledstanis of Cokelaw and heirs, that in perambulating the said marches between these lands no impediment was made, but they were peacefully perambulated, no one contradicting, as clearly appeared to me, notary public subscribing. Whereupon, etc.

27 *June* 1562.

Redare and exhortare of common prayeris.

Johne Dikesone, admittit redare and exhortare of the commoun prayeris be Johne Willock superattendent in Glasgw, producit his testimoniale of his admissioun thairto, of the quhilk the tennour followis: Knaw ye loving christin peple that als weill apone auld experience, profe, alse faithfull witnessing of the life and conversatioun of Johne Dikesone, I haif appointed him to continew in Peblis quhair he hes duelt for the space of thre yeris past, thair to vse the commoun prayeris and exhortationes vnto the peple according to the portioun of his gift, to be I meyn redare and exhortare thair, praying yow, according to the rewll of Paule, vse him godlie and cheritabille, that he may be conforteid in his office, as appertenis vnto the dewtie of christin persones. Subscriuit with the said Johne Willock hand, at Glasgw, the xx day of Junii yere of God j^{m} v^{c} lxij yeris. And thairefter the said testimoniale beand producit in jugement, in presens of the baillies counsale and communite, thai admittit the samin and ordanit the said Johne to be ansuerit according to the modificatioun of the act maid thairapone of before be the saidis baillies counsale and communite of the dait the xxviij day of Nouember yere of God j^{m} v^{c} lx yeris; apone the quhilkis the said Johne askit instrument.

7 *July* 1562.

Gledstanis, Caidmuir.

The maist pairt of the counsale beand convenit, with avise of the baillies,

ordanis certane honest men ryde to Striveling to the Quenis grace and meyn thair caus anentis the lard of Gledstanis, and nominatis Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Dikesone, baillies; Rowe Scot, Johne Dikesoune of Winkestoun [and seven others]; providing alwayis gif ony of thir persones refuse to ryde to Striveling that thai that refusis salbe secludit to haif ony pairt of teling of Caidmuir in tymes cuming or pasturing of thair gudis thairupone. Gledstanis, Caidmuir.

The baillies ordanis the thesaurare bring hame the Walk Milne stok with oxin on the tovne expensis als sone as he may. Walk Milne.

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The quhilk day, Johne Dikesone, exhortare and redare of the commoun prayeris, producit ane writting requyring the baillies to vse the samin, of the quhilk the tennour followis: Schirris, baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, humlie menis to your maisterschippis your seruitour Johne Dikesone, exhortare in our said kirk of Peblis, desyring your maisterschippis now present convenit to appoynt elderis to wache our your said kirk quha hes the feir of God afore e, quhairthrow that vice may be pvnissit aggreable with the will of God as is revelit in his Evangell, and our reformit kirk ordourit as vtheris kirkkis is, that your maisterschippis obbeying the word of God may haif his blissing and also your knawlege oppynnit be the instructioun of his eternal Sprite, and in speciall that punisment may be put to thir persones quha will nocht compleit the band of matrimony quhilk in the presens of God is wikkitnes, and sua that na correctioun be your tovne salbe ane verray Sodome and Gomor, and all becaus na correctioun is put thairto be your maisterschippis, and sua gif ye omit this vndone God will pvnis yow quha is hinderaris of the said purpos. And this present is to exoner me in the presens of God quha hes oft reprovit the samin be my writting, requiring your maisterschippis ansuer, alwayis ye havand the feir of God afore e, and for na partialite of ony persone stay this quhilk ye knaw is aggreable with the will of the Eternale Juge quha hes set yow in authorite. Exhortare and redare, matrimony.

4 *October* 1562.

The offer of James Gledstanis sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, Walter Gledstanis of Colfurdhill, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, with thair complices, vnto the tovne of Peblis and William Bell Offer of Johne of Gledstanis and others as to Caidmuir.

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sone to vmquhile William Bell burges of Peblis, Adam Bell his broder, and Margret Hoppringill his vmquhile spous, and alsua till Helene Threipland the relict of vmquhile Thomas Peblis, and to his barneis with the rest of thair kin freindis allie and partakkaris quhatsumeuer. Becaus that we vnderstand that greit inconuenientis hes oft and diuers tymes falling betuix ws and your communite tuiching the descrepance had be our forbearis anentis the landis of Caidmour, and thairfore for avoiding of the samin, we offer ourselffis never in ony tyme cuming and our freindis, partakkaris heirintill, till infest molest or perturbe yow nor nane of yow be the way of deid, bot only be the way of law, as the ordour of the samin requiris, and heirvnto offeris vs to bind ws; and for the vnprovisit slauchteris of the said vmquhile William Bell and Thomas Peblis throw the occatioune of the variance foirsaid committit be ws, nocht hevand the feir of God before our ene of our conscience, now movit with repentance for a formare wickitnes, craving of God mercie and forgifnes throw Jesus Christ our Sauiour, and of yow thair freindis vnto quham we haif furiouslie offendit, willing to satify your honouris, we offer for the slauchter of the said vmquhile William Bell j^{c} pundis, and for the slauchter of the said vmquhile Thomas Peblis ane ^{c} pundis, and quhatsumeuery thing forthir at the sycht of four freindis, tua for your partiis and tua for our partiis to be electit and chosing, thinkis forthir to be done in the forsaid mater, and als anentis all dampnages and skaith committit and done be ws to yow and your freindis, inlikewise desyring ressone of our skath at the sycht of the saidis four men, and for assithement of honouris we offer ws to performe all thingis according to the loveable vse of the cuntre as the foirsaidis four men thinkis expeidfull. Sequitur subscriptio, Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, with my hand led at the pen be the notare vnder writting at my command becaus I culd nocht write . . . . .

Desyres of the community for the skaithis done by Gledstanis and others.

The desyris of the haill communite of the burgh of Peblis for the greit providit slauchteris oppresiones and skaithis done to ws be James Gledstanis apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Cokelaw, William Gledstanis his broder, Walter Gledstanis of Colifurdhill, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, with thair complices. Item, in the first we desyre the said James Gledstanis, his kin freindis allia and parttakkaris of the crymes, to confes and grant that thai com on set purpos greit hatrent and malice, havand na feir of God nor man, to our heretage of Caidmour in the moneth of Januare

in the yere of God j^{m} v^{c} lvij yeris, and thair, apone set purpose hamesukking and foirthochtfellony, devidit thame selffis in sindry partiis, quhairthrouch gif thair wer ony of our nychtbouris doand thair lefull besynes that nane of thame suld evaid nor eschaep, and to edify and mak this knawin to the warld as it is to God, the said James Gledstanis beand providit as said is with his complices com to our nychtbouris yokkit pleuchis, houche and slew thair oxin of four pleuchis to the nowmer of xxxij oxin, and the vther cumpany quhilk departit with Walter Gledstanis apone ane vther part of our said heritage apprehendit our nychtbour Thomas Peblis, quhair he wes doand his lesum besynes, and thair, without feir of God or man as said is, slew the said Thomas cruellie without ony mercy, and for verificatioun to the haill warld that it wes of set purpos as said is, first, be cuming of thame selffis boding with armour in feir of weir; secundlie, be deviding of thame selffis in sindry partiis that thair suld nane of thame evaid nor eschaip bot thai suld be sure of slauchter; quhilkis slauchteris oppressiones and skaithis we desyre to be confessit as thai wer done as said is. Secundlie, to hald fordward thair set purpos of slauchter and oppressioun apone ws this poore commmnite, com to our heretage foirsaid in the moneth of Julii yere of God j^{m} v^{c} and lxj yere, and thair upone set purpos cruellie slew and murtherit William Bell ane of our nychtbouris, he beand doand his lesum besynes, quhilk may be evidentlie knawin that it wes of set purpos becaus of the malicious slauchter done of before be the foirsaidis persones tending thairthrow, throucht thair greit crueltie done and to be done, to appropriat our heretage to thame selffis; and als the saidis persones wald na wayis haif mercy nor piete of the said William Bell, he cryand for the lufe of God to tak him and sauf his life, quha refusit it simpliciter bot slew him cruellie like bludy tyrannis as said is; quhilk we desyre to be confessit as thai wer done apone set purpos as said is. Thridlie, it is evidentlie knawin that fra the slauchter of vmquhile Thomas Peblis, quhilk wes done in the moneth of Januare foirsaid, our heretage of Caidmour hes lying waist without teling or sawing to the greit disfamete and hunger of xviij^{xx} of houshalderis, that thai nor nane of thame durst for feir of thair livis teill or saw ane boll aittis apone our said heretage, for the quhilk caus thai ar vterlie hungerit heriit and depauparat, quhilkis hillis wuld haif sawin till us xviij^{xx} bollis of aittis be the space of five yeris bygane yerelie, estimat to the third corne price of ilk boll with the fodder xxx s., extending to the

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sovme of (*blank*); quhilk sowme we desyre to be satifyit and mendit, and that for sustentatioun and releving of the poore houshaldaris that sustenit the saidis skaithis; and als that the said communite haif sic securite as thai will devise of the said James Gledstanis, his kin freindis allia and parttakkaris, that we sall never be molestit nor trublit in tymes cuming of our said heretage in peceable brouking of the samin, conforme baith to the law of God and man; and this we desyre to be considerit be newtrale and famous men quhilkis hes the feir of God afore e; providing alwayis that our desyres be na hurt to the freindis of vmquhill William Bell and Thomas Peblis, bot the saidis desyris quhilkis thai will propone be ressauit and ressonabillie discussit be the said newtrale men to be electit. Quhilkis beand red and publict to the knawlege of James Langlandis of that ilk, Mark Ker of Kippelaw, Robert Scot of Thirlstane and Adam Scot of Burnefute, desyrit thame to fulfill the samin safare as thai suld mak knawin to the Quenis graces maiestie, lordis of counsale, warld, as it wes to God, nochtwithstanding to draw the saidis slauchteris and deidlie feid to perpetuall amite and concord offerit the tua part of the saidis expensis to be defalcat and dischargit for the luf of God; quhilk thai refusit simpliciter and wald nocht augment ane penny by thair first offeris, nouthir for slauchteris nor skaithis forsaidis, thairfore allegit thame nocht willing to aggre and protestit for remeid of law and justice.

Claim of the bairns and kin of Thomas Peblis and William Bell.

Heir followis the clame for the part of the barneis kin and freindis of vmquhile Thomas Peblis and William Bell, burgessis of Peblis, aganes James Gledstanis sone and apperand air to Johne Gledstanis of Coklaw, William Gledstanis his broder, Walter Gledstanis of Colifurd, Johne Gledstanis of Windingtoun Hall, Johne Scot in Quhithaucht and vtheris, his complices assistaris and parttakkaris with him in the saidis slauchteris and oppressiones vnder writting, apone the quhilkis the saidis barneis kin and freindis desyris assithement and amendis, with restitutioun of the dannages and skaithis sustenit be thame in the said James defalt and his complices, in maner following: In the first, the saidis barneis and freindis allegis and offeris thame to prufe that the said James and his complices in the moneth of Julii in the yeir of God j^{m} v^{c} lvij yeris com to the landis of Burroleyis, lyand within the landis of Caidmuir, pertenand to the burgh of Peblis as ane part of the patrimony thairof, and to the said William Bell in tak and assedatioun, he alsua being in peceabill possessioun of the samin be lawboring

manuring of the ground thairof, pasturing his gudis thairupone, likeas he and his predecessoris hes bene in semlable possessioun thairof be the space of lx yeris immediatlie preceding, and thair the said James and his complices foirsaidis the tyme abone writting maisterfullie and violentlie kest done and destroyit the said vmquhile William scheill and somer hous biggit vpone the saidis landis for keping of his gudis thairupone, and hurt and woindit (*blank*) his hird and seruand in diuers partis of his body, and than and continewalie sensyne debarrit the said vmquhile William thairfra and fra all occupatioun of the samin and held the samin waist, and sua spulyeit the said vmquhile William of his possessioun thairof and the haill proffittis quhilkis he mycht haif had of the saidis landis of Burroleis continewalie sensyne be the space of v yeris last bypast and the said James had peciabille sufferit him occupiit and laubourit the samin, extending yerelie be the said space to lx bolles aittis sawin, estimat to the thrid corne price of the boll with the fodder xxx s.; the proffittis of the pasturing of sax score milk yowes, proffit of ilk pece yerelie in woll lamb butter and cheis extending to sax s. viij d.; the proffit of the pasturing of sax score wedderis, extending ilk pece yerelie in woll and vtheris proffittis to iij s. iiij d. Secundlie, the said vmquhile William in the moneth of Januare the yere of God foirsaid oferit him to the ground of the said landis to haif lawbowrit the samin and yokkit his pleuch thairupone, and siclike the said vmquhile Thomas Peblis yokkit his pleuch vpon his maling of the landis of Dod pertenyng to him in assedatioun maid to him thairof be the said communite of Peblis at the tyme foirsaid, at the quhilk tyme the said James be himself and his complices as said is, howche and slew the oxin being in baith the saidis pleuchis, extending to xvj oxin, price of the pece ourheid x merkis, quhairthrow the saidis vmquhile Thomas Peblis and William Bell wer damnageit and skaithit nocht onlie in the prices and valouris of the saidis oxin bot in proffit quhilkis thai mycht haif had thairof in hyreage yerelie and continewalie sensyne be the said space of five yeris, extending ilk ox yerelie to sax ferlottis of meill, price of the boll yerelie ourheid xxx s., aucht of the saidis oxin pertenand to the said vmquhile William and vther viij to the said vmquhile Thomas as thair awne proper gudis, and than being in thair possessioun teland thair saidis landis thair, and thairfore desyris restitutioun of the dampnageis foirsaidis done to the saidis vmquhile William and Thomas. Thridlie, the said James and his complices continewalie sen the said moneth of Januare debarrit the

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said vmquhile Thomas barneis fra the occupatioun of his part of the saidis landis of Doid, being ane quartar thairof, and held the samin waist and sua witheld fra thame the haill proffittis quhilkis thai mycht haif had thairof gif he had sufferit thame to occupy the samin with thair awne proper gudis, extending yerelie to xx bollis aittis sawin, estimat to the thrid corne price of the boll with the fodder foirsaid, the proffit of pasturing of sax ky, lxxx yowis, lxxx yeild scheip, extending yerelie respectiue to the avales and quantiteis abone mentionat. Item, feudlie, the saidis barneis and freindis allegis and offeris thame to prufe that in the said moneth of Januare anno, etc., lvij° the tyme of the howchling and destroying of the said oxin the said James and his complices cruellie and vnmercifullie, on set purpos and on thocht fellony, slew the said Thomas Peblis and left his barneis, thai beand thre in nowmer all pupillis and neir thair infancie fatherles and destitut of all support, the dammage and skaith sustenit be thame in defalt and want of thair said fader, quha suld and wald educat and put thame to proffit, extending be gude estimatioun to the sovme of tua thousand merkis money of Scotland, quhilk sowme the barneis and freindis of the said vmquhile Thomas desyris the said James and his complices to be compellit to pay to thame as for thair ciuile eutres in part of thair assithment of the slauchter of thair said vmquhile fader. Item, fiftelie, the barneis and freindis of the said vmquhile William Bell allegis and offeris thame to prufe that the said James and his complices, preseuerand in thair auld malice and mischeif consauit aganis him, vpone the xviij day of August in the yere of God j^m v^c lxj yere cruellie and vnmercifullie, vpone auld feid and thocht fellony, slew the said vmquhile William and left William Bell his sone fatherles, the damnagis and skaithis sustenit be him thairthrow extending be gud estimatioun to the sovme of tua thowsand merkis money foirsaid, the quhilk sowme the said William and freindis foirsaidis desyris the said James to be compellit to pay to thame as afore thair ciuile entres in part of thair assithment of the slauchter of his said vmquhile fader. Sextlie, the saidis barneis and freindis desyris the said James and his complices, assistaris and parttakkaris, to be decernit to decist and ceis in tyme cuming fra all molestatioun and trubling of the barneis of the saidis wmquhile William and Thomas and otheris havand rycht of thame in peceable broukin joising lauboring and manuring of the saidis landis of Burroleis and Dod respectiue . . . . The quhilk clame and desyris being red and publist to the knawlege of James

Langlandis of that ilk, Mark Ker of Kippelaw, Robert Scot of Thirlstane, and Adam Scot of Burnefute, desyring thame to fulfill the same sa far as thai suld mak knawin to the Quenis graces Maieste, lordis of counsale and the warld, as it wes to God, nochtvithstanding to draw the saidis slaughtaris and deidlie feid to perpetuale amite and concord offerit five partis of the foirsaidis expensis dampnages and skaithis to be defalcat and dischargit and that for the luf of God; quhilk thai refusit simpliciter and wald nocht augment ane penny by thair first offeris, nouthir for slauchteris nor for skaithis forsaid, and thairfore allegit thame nocht willing till aggre and protestit for remeid of law and justice. Claim of the bairns and kin of Thomas Peblis and William Bell.

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Electi pro balliuis fiendis: William Lowys, William Dikesone, Johne Wichtman, Johne Fresale, Johne Scot, James Gowane. The counsale beand convenit hes electit thir names abone writting to be votit baillics, conforme to the auld rite and consuetude of the burgh. [Lowys receives thirty five votes; Dikesone, fifty three; Wichtman, fifty eight; Fresale, three; Scot, eight; and Gowane four. Dickesone and Wichtman are accordingly "sworne and admittit"]. Bailies.

The quhilk day, William Rechartsone wes creat dekyn of the wobstare craft and wes sworne and maid his aitht as vse is. Dekyn of wobstares.

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The counsale electit for this present yere: Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Dikeson, Rowe Scot, James Wilsone, William Dikesone elder, James Robesone, Johne Scot persone, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone of Melvingsland, Johne Dikesone yonger, Eduard Wychtman, William Bell, James Frank, Stene Robesone, Johne Cranstoun, Patrik Newtoun, Thomas Tuedy, William Rechartson, Johne Fresall. Counsale.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, all with ane voce, is content that William lord Hay of Yester be chosing and electit provest for ane yere, conforme to the act maid of before of the dait the penult day of Januare yere of God j^{m} v^{c} lv yeris, conforme to the act of parliament and burro lawis, and the said lord oblissis him nouthir to haif entris with nane of thair propirtie, commonteis nor common gudis, forthir nor vnquhile Johne lord Hay his fader had; and als the said nobill lord oblissis him, conforme to his aith of fidelite, nocht to frustrate justice be na My lord provest obligatioun to the toun.

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solistatioun, and to vse the counsale of the baillies and counsale, and to stand with the said tovne in the law and by the law concernyng thair libertie heretage commoun weill and commoun actiones, baith with his body gudis and freindis againes all vtheris, thair authorite alanerlie except ; attour the saidis baillies and counsale sall vse justice in his absence, and inlikmaner the said tovne to stand with the said nobill lord in his honest and lefull actiones quhen he hes ado and requiris thame thairto providing alwayis that the said lord haif na president nor deput vnder him, bot till vse the communite in all thingis as vnquhile his said fader vsit thame and na vtherwayis ; and thairupone ather of the saidis partiis askit act and instrument and protestit for the extract of this present act.

Lord Hay creat burges.

The quhilk day, William lord Hay of Yester wes creat burges and maid his aith as vse is, conforme to the act of burro lawis, and fand his hand and land souertie for scotting lotting walking wairding and burges siluer, and thairefter the said nobill lord wes chosing provest to vse the office thairof for ane yere conforme to the act of burro lawis.

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Stewart of Traquhair.

Johne Stewart of Traquhair, knycht, oblissis him be the teunour heirof to the baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis never to desyre to be provest baillie nor burges within the burgh of Peblis, nor to haif na forthir preeminence nor intromissioun within the said burgh nor he hes presentlie, conforme to his awne saying afore my lord provest and counsale.

Eist Werk.

The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis is content that the said Johne Stewart of Traquhair haif the Eist Werk in few ferme . . . . providing alwayis that my lord provest vot be reseruit to him self, and siclike that the ische and entre to the hous heid be reseruit to the saidis provest baillies counsale and communite in tyme of neid, and thairupone the saidis baillies and siclike the said Johne Stewart askit instrument.

Tuiching the electing of burgessis.

The counsale ordanis that na burgessis be admittit in tyme cuming except thai be induellaris and inhabitaris within the tovne and mak residence thairintill baith day and nycht, that thair qualificatioun and conversatioun concernyng commoun weill may be knawin, and to tak part with the tovne in thair commoun effairis, providing alwayis gif thai remoif of the tovne efter thai be creat thai sall incontinent thairefter be deprivat of thair fredome ; and sic-

like ordanis to summond the outland burgessis to the heid court efter Sanct Mongo day to mak thair duelling and change within the said burgh or ellis to be deprivat, and efter thair deprivatioun certificatioun to be maid thairof to the provest and baillies of Edinburgh and all vtheris burrowis neidfull. Tuiching the electing of burgessis.

The baillies and counsale ordanis for ane yere that the ta baillie sall na way convene ony counsale bot gif thai be baith present and assent thairto, and that the counsale beand convenit, gif ony of the said counsale be absent or seik, his avise salbe tane in the actioun precedit; and the saidis baillies to put all thingis to executioun that the maist part of the counsale decernis apone without ony favour, and the counsale till adhere till the baillies for setting fordwart of all commoun actionis, and the said counsale to be warnit apone viij dayis afore gif it be ane neidful actioun tuiching the authorite or may nocht be delayit. Convening of the counsale.

Siclike, it is ordanit gif ony of the counsale revelis ony of the counsale for ane yere in tymes cuming the revelare thairof salbe deprivat of the counsale for euir, and gif the officeris revelis ony of the said counsale to be dischargit of thair offices for euir. Reveeling counsale.

Siclike, ordanis the thesaurare to by tua dossane of dalis to be bocht for reparaling of the kirk and tua commoun ledderis to be gotting and divottis quhill the tyme to be laid on the tolbuith. Kirk, tolbuith.

Ordanis the baillies with James Wilsone and Johne Dikesone to deill the lyuning claithis in the stepill to the pure folkis quhilk thai think expedient and maist indigent. Pure folkis.

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The counsale ordanis the baillies to bring hame the commoun stane of Edinburgh, and to mak all stanis to be vsit within the burgh of Peblis conforme to the said stane as the counsale thinkis expedient, and all vtheris stanis to be dischargit simpliciter in tymes cuming. Stanes.

The counsale ordanis the scoill maister fra this hour furth to wait on the teching of the barneis and exoner him of all vtheris pleasouris, and thairfore to gif him xl s. to help him till ane govne, and as he makkis caus in teching of the saidis barnis and as thai incres in science and knawlege the saidis fourty schillingnis to be gevin frelie to him, and failyene thairof the samin salbe allowit in his fee, and thairefter to provide for himself. Scoillmaister.

Tovne Millis. The minister oblissis him to grynd all his cornes in tyme cuming at the tovne millis, vnder the pane of doubling of the said multour.

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Walk Mill. Robert Braidfut, Thomas Tueddaill and James Tueddaill confessit that the Walk Milne wes als gud and sufficient ane milne as wes in all Scotland, and that becaus the tovne allowit thame nyne merkis and iij s. iiij d. for the mending of the said milne, and oblist to leif hir als gude at the ische of thair takkis.

4 *December* 1562.

Gledstanis, Eschelis. The counsale ordanis four or fife of the honestest men pas done to the Quenis grace to playnt apone Gledstanis and vpone the tennentis of Eschelis.

13 *February* 1562.

Kirk bells. The thesaurare is ordanit be the baillies and counsale to tak doun the bellis furth of Sanct Andro Kirk and hing ane of thame in the Croce Kirk to rigne to the commoun prayeris, and the vther bell to be laid in the stepil to be obscruit, and to big with the trap and tymber in the Hie Kirk stepill settis in the Croce Kirk for eis of the parochinaris.

Attendance at prayeris. Ordanis all parochinaris, baith burgh and land, that resortes to the prayeris to compere and mak thair obedience at prayer tyme and vtheris without ony rangald in tymes cuming, and that nane mak ganging in kirk nor kirk yard nor ony vther enormite in tyme of prayeris.

Exhortare, Gilbert Brovne. The said day, Johne Dikesone, exhortare, tuk instrument that he requirit Gilbert Brovne to compere on Thursday nixtocum afore the eldaris that ordour may be tane of his conmersatiom, etc., quha denyit he wald compere, allegeand thai wer na maisteris to him ; and also the said Gilbert approvit in the jugement sait of the burgh of Peblis that the said Johne bakbitit him, quhilk the said Johne requirit prufe thairof, vther wayis to be pvnist according to his demerit.

23 *June* 1563.

Lord Hay of Yester. In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presencia, personaliter constitutus nobilis et potens dominus Willelmus dominus Hay de Yester

apud oppidum et castrum de Nepeth, causauit Robertum Walkare fabrum lignarum aperire vnam lie almery continentem in se [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under written, personally appeared William Lord Hay of Yester at the town and castle of Nepeth, and caused Robert Walker, carpenter, to open an almery containing therein] ane posset top with ane fute of the self of esche, ane litill bikker callit ane salt fat with ane fute of esche, ane lame can and thre paperis of armes of vmquhile Archibald erle of Angus, and na vtheris thingis contenit thairintill, quhilk almerie dame Margreit Levingstoun lady of Yester allegit pertene till hir; vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse nobilis dominus a me, notario publico subscripto, sibi fieri ac tradi petiit vnum seu plura publicum seu publica instrumentum seu instrumenta. Acta erant in superiori camera de Nepeth horam circiter quartam post meridiem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra presentibus ibidem honorabilibus viris, magistro Joanne Colquhone preposito de Bothanis, Willelmo Tuedy de Drummelyeare, Willelmo Vache de Kingside et Gilberto Wauchope seruitore dicti nobilis domini, testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis. Et vlterius dictus nobilis dominus causauit dictum Robertum Walkare aperire alteram lie almery vocatam *ane stule almery* continentem in se nihil aliud nisi lie *worme wobbis;* coram testibus suprascriptis. [as to me notary publie clearly appeared. Upon all and sundry which things the said noble lord asked me, notary public subscribing, to make and deliver to him one or more public instrument or instruments. These things were done in the upper chamber of Nepeth, about the fourth hour afternoon of the year day month and indiction above written. There being present honourable men, master John Colquhone provost of Bothanis, William Tuedy of Drummelyeare, William Vache of Kingside and Gilbert Wauchope servant to the said noble lord, witnesses to the premises specially called and required. And lastly the said noble lord caused the said Robert Walker to open another almery called a stule almery which had nothing therein except worm webs, before the witnesses foresaid] Lord Hay of Yester.

14 *July* 1563.

In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constitutus honorabilis vir Joannes Wychtman, vnius balliuorum burgi de Peblis, pro tribunali sedens judicialiter in pretorio burgi de Peblis, alta et intelligibile voce publicauit et exposuit vt in vulgari sequitur, et solemniter protestabitur nomine et mandato preposite consulum et communitatis dicti burgi de Peblis [In presence of me notary public and witnesses under Sir Johne Allane common scribe.

Sir Johne Allane common scribe.

written personally appeared an honourable man John Wychtman, one of the baillies of the burgh of Peblis, sitting in judgment in the tolbooth of the burgh of Peblis, and in a loud and intelligible voice published and declared as follows in the common tongue, and solemnly protested in the name and at the command of the provost councillors and community of the said burgh of Peebles] that William Dikesone, ane vther of the baillies of the said burgh, his college, wranguslie without ony ordour had thairintill, intromettit reft and spulyeit Sir Johne Allane thair common scribe for the tyme, ordourlie electit be common vot of vmquhile John lord Hay of Yester provest of the burgh of Peblis baillies counsale and communite of the samin, the court buik of the said burgh, the said Sir Johne beand in continewall possessioun of the said office be the space of xiiij yeris bigane or thairby, likeas he wes this present day and is instantlie be vsing thairof at all tymes beand chargit thairto, and disassentit thairfra becaus the provest counsale and communite consentit nocht thairto nor dischargit nocht the said Sir Johne ordourlie as he suld haif bene considering thair wes na notour falt imput to the said Sir Johne nor knawin apone him in executioun of his office sen he wes ordourlie electit thairto to the dait of thir presentis, and thairfore desyrit the said William Dikesone, his college, baillie foirsaid, till deliuer and restore the saidis buikis till him agane to be vsit be him as of before, ay and quhill sum notour falt war knawin committit be him in executioun of his said office and callit be the said provest baillies and counsale and communite to be ordourlie dischargit siclike as he wes ordourlie electit, conforme to ordour equite and gud conscience, and failyene thairof that he wald nocht restore the saidis buikis as said is protestit for recent spule remeid of law tyme and place convenient, and for the proffittis that the said Sir Johne mycht haif had thairof in the mene tyme to be furthcummand to the said Sir Johne; vt mihi notario publico subscripto lucide constabat. Super quibus . . . . [as to me notary public subscribing clearly appeared. Whereupon . . . .]

4 *October* 1563.

Baillies.

Rolland Scot and James Tuedy [who received thirty and twenty five votes, respectively] chosin baillies and suorne.

Prowest baillies and clerkis.

The baillies counsale and communite of our burgh of Peblis electit and chois William lord Hay of Yester, prowest, for ane yeir, and tuik him sworne as vse is, prouyding the said instructions that the said William maid with the commontie haif place, as at mair lenth is contenit in the formar

act of the said William creatioun; and siclyk Rolland Scot and James Tuedy ar electit baillies, and the saidis baillies takin and sworne as vse is to vse thair office ay and quhill thai be dischargit. John Dikesoun and John Allan creat clerkis ay and quhill thai war dischargit. Prowest, bailies and clerks.

7 *October* 1563.

The said day, William lord Hay prowest of our burgh of Peblis, in presens of the baillies and counsall thairof, dissasentis for his wot that nain haif titille of the New Werk lyand at the est end of our burgh of Peblis, but that the samyng be reperallit and bewdit of the townes expenssis. New Werk.

20 *October* 1563.

It is statut and ordinat that na meill man haif ane furlat of his awin, but that the haill mercat be seruit with the custome; and that the samyng custome be mesurrit justlie for ewading of sclander. Meill.

22 *October* 1563.

It is statut and ordanit that the thesawrar by sa mony skailtis as will thik the tolbuith; and that the said thesawrar mell nocht with the Geddes yle, nor yet na vtheris in tymes cuming; and thairof Gilbert Tuedy requirit actis. Tolbuith. Geddes Yle.

10 *December* 1563.

[The counsale] ordanis ane of the chalice quhilk is in the stiple to be maid money of to the thesawrar and farther at the baillies plesour. And ordanis that the town be quarterit, and euery ane of the said townn to caus ane seruand be present to wirk ane day with thair hors and man, and thame that wanttis hors to beir stanes one ane barrow to the brig work, and the baillies to poynd and strenye the dissobeyaris, and ordanis the thesaurar to big the sloppis vpon the townes expensses. Chalice. Town's works.

And siclyk ordanit Sir John Allan to delyuer the common buikis efter that thay be conferrit with thair clerk John Dikesoun, and that the said buikis may be laid in commoun kist according to William lord Hay precept derect thairvpon. Common buikis.

20 *December* 1563.

John Allan, clerk.

The quhilk day, William Dikesoun, thesaurar, in name behalf and command of the baillies and counsall of Peblis, affirmit that John Allan was nocht wyrthy to vs the office of the burro clerkschep, and that he was dischargit be resonable caussis, and in speciall becaus the said Johanne keipit in his company ane vnclene persone nocht beand joynit with him in the band of matrimonye in contrair all godly order of crystiane, and farther had rebellit aganes the ordinance of the prowest and baillies of the said burgh, and thairof the said William requyrit act.

The said day John Allan allegit him vndouttit clerk and commoun clerk of the burgh of Peblis for his lyftyme and his gift gewin thairvpon proportis and that ony court haldin and to be haldin be ony clerk in tymes cumyng sen the xiiij day of Julij last bypast tak na effect nor ony thing that may follow thairvpon and protestis for all maner of proffettes that concernis the said office in ony maner of way in tyme cumyng, other be act of court rolment or extract of saisingis, considerand that thair is no clerk chossing and electit be consent of the said John Allan, and thairvpon askit instrument and protestit for the extract and copy of the said act, and the juges ansuerit that thai wald aduys thairintill.

The baillies ansuerit to the formar act and sayis that the said John Allan was dischargit of his writtin as common clerk for resonable caussis abone expressit be William Dikesoun thesaurare, and that thay fand nocht the said John Allan clerk allegit at thair entres in baillerie, nor yeit producit na lettre attentik subscriuit and seillit with the commoun seill of the said burgh but ane friuoll allegance, and thairof the saidis baillies requyrit actis.

26 *January* 1563.

Commissioneris of burrois.

The counsall ordanis tua nychtburis to gang to Edinburgh with the townes commissioun to resone with the rest of commissionaris of burrois, conuenyeand the tuenty four day of Februar nixt tocum, tuiching the novatioun vsit be the King of Denmark aganis our nychtburis.

Speaking injurious words to a bailie.

The baillies and counsall decernis James Stewart and Thomas Hesylop, [for giving injurious words to a bailie], ilk ane of thame to pay to the thesawrar

fyve merkis betuix this and the vij day of Februar nixt tocum to support the brig work, and farther to cum vpon Sonday nixt thairafter with ilk ane of thame ane candill in thair hand, in signe of obedyens, and ask the saidis baillies forgywinnes in the oppin audiens of the haill parrochyn, and failleyng thairof that thay be neuir admittit to thair fredome. Speaking injurious words to a bailie.

The counsale ordanis Andro Litill, bedrall, to be ansuerit of euery houshalder within our burgh of iiij d. yeirlie and ilk yeir duryng his seruice quhill farther order be takin. Bedrall.

9 *March* 1563.

The counsall ordanis all thay personis quhay hes offendit the bailyes in compleining to outlandis men to maik pairty aganis thair aldirmen, incontrair thair act of creastione, to be callit the nixt court, and gif say be ony nebor be conwik that he be punesat in exampell of vtheris, and that he be forfaltit his fredom. Outlandis men, aldermen.

The counsall ordanis the scuillmaster to wait on the bairnis and nocht to gane to hunting nor vther plessaris in tyme cumin, but lesceuce of the aldirmen, quhilk gif he falye that he salbe despossit of his office. Scuillmaster.

10 *April* 1564.

The inquest ordanes gif ony nebur, beand on the inquest, in tymes cumin reweill ony thing that is spokin be the inquest that the baillais sall try the spekair thairof, and tharafter he beand conweik that he sall nocht be admittit one court nor counsall ony farther, and to depryve him of his fredoum in say far as is mensuorin. Reveilling things spoken by inquest.

11 *May* 1564.

The maist pairt of the counsall with the baillais, conuenit in the tolbuithe of Peblis, ordanis the bell to be sauld that is in the steipill to ony persoun that will gef maist thairfor, and to tak nay les for the stane weyche nor xxiiij s., and appointtis the tua baillais, William Dikisoun, to sell the same to releif creditturris that thay haif ado with in respeck of the det that the toun is in at this present. Bell to be sold.

Soumes. The quharter masteris of the Doid offeris thair summes to ony neibur for half ane merk the soume, prowydin allwais in cais the neburis do nocht the same the said quharter masteris protestis that thay maie lefule set the said summis to quhome thai ples, and in cais thai set the samin that thair hird sall keip the same to the affeck that the liberte of the toune maie be obserwit.

7 *June* 1564.

Burro clerk. Danid Crychtoun was creat burro clerk to vse the office of the samyn ay and quhill he war dischargit, and his aithe tane thairopone.

10 *July* 1564.

Our Lady chapel. The said day, comperand in jugément Sir John Tuedy chapellane, and thair off his awin fre motywe and spontaneall will, ryplie and at lenth adwysit thairvpon, resignit and ourgaiff, frely purly and simply, all and haill his rycht title propertie and possessione with commodities quhatsumeuir pertenyng the alterage of our Lady chapell cituat within the burgh off Peblis, in the handis off James Tuedy and Rolland Scot, baillies of the said [burgh], as indouttit patrones off the donatioun of the said alterage, and that [in] fauouris off Gilbert Tuedy, and thairvpon the said Gilbert Tuedy askit instrument and that na obiectioun was maid aganis the said resignatioun.

The baillies counsale and communite consulariter adwisit, be thair jugement, the resignatioun maid and gewin be Sir John Tuedy to his beluffit Gilbert Tuedy and admittis the said Gilbert Tuedy as sufficient apt and able for ministratioun off the said altarage and prebendarye off the samyn, and giffis him gift and donatioun of the samyng, as vndoutit patrones thairoff, to the effec that al tenentes and occupyaris off the landis quhilk pertenis to the said prebendarie suld redely ansuer and obey the said Gilbert, beand in place off the said Sir John Tuedy be wertu off his resignatioun and gift off the saidis patrones gewin and granttit to him thairvpon, in all tymes cumyng, conforme to his rycht and title, off the quhilkis resignatioun donatioun and admissioun forsaid the said Gilbert askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court.

20 *July* 1564.

Minister and convent of the Holy Cross.

Anno incarnacionis Dominice millesimo quingentesimo lxiiij die vero mensis Julii xx° indictione septima: In mei notarii publici et testium subscriptorum presentia personaliter constituti honeste persone subscripte, viz., frater Gilbertus Brovne minister Sancte Crucis de Peblis ab vna et conuentus eiusdem viz., fratres Joannes Robyn, Thomas Smyth, Joannes Newtoun et Jacobus Lowys appunctuati et concordati sunt in hunc modum in vulgari sequenti, viz: [In the year of the incarnation of our Lord one thousand five hundred and sixty four, the twentieth day of the month of July, the seventh indiction. In presence of me notary public and witnesses underwritten personally appeared the honest persons underwritten viz., brother Gilbert Broune minister of the Holy Cross of Peebles on the one part and the convent thereof viz., brothers John Robyn, Thomas Smyth, John Newtoun, and James Lowys who appointed and agreed in manner following in the vulgar tongue, viz:] The said brethir hes referrit thair pensioun bygane awand to thame be the said freir Gilbert Brovne to the feist of Sanct Johne [the] Baptist nixt precedant the dait heirof to the said freir Gilbert will and discretioun; forthir the said minister oblist him be the tenour heirof to stand at the ordinance and deliuerance of James Wilson, Johne Horsbruk, William Dikesone and Sir Johne Allane touching the despositioun of the ornamentis westmentis and jewellis being presentlie in keeping in Nepeth and Chapelhill gif ony proffit can be had thairof in tymes cuming; and siclike gif the thred of thair benefice quhilk is now instantlie payit to the Quene Maiestie and hir collectouris can be gotting dischargit ony maner of wayis, the said Minister oblissis him and his successouris ministeris of the said croce kirk of Peblis to augment the foirsaid four brethir ilkane of thame respective four merkis during thair lifetymes yerelie. Vt mihi notario publico lucide constabat. Super quibus omnibus et singulis ipse minister et conuentus antedicti hincinde a me notario publico subscripto sibi fieri ac tradi petierunt instrumenta vnum seu plura. Acta erant hec in ecclesia sancte crucis de Peblis horam circiter vndecimam ante merediem sub anno die mense indictione et pontificatu quibus supra: Presentibus ibidem honestis viris Jacobo Wilsone, Joanne Horsbruk, Willelmo Dikesoun, burgensibus de Peblis et Patricio Rumsyman nuncio reginali testibus ad premissa specialiter rogatis et requisitis: Providendo quod dictus conuentus facient exactam diligentiam ad manus supreme domine nostre regine et dominorum sue secreti consilii penes exoneracionem

Minister and Convent of the Holy Cross.

solutionis tertie partis dicti beneficii. [As to me notary public clearly appeared. Whereupon all and sundry the foresaid minister and convent both asked me notary public subscribing to make and deliver to them one or more instruments. These things were done in the Church of the Holy Cross of Peebles about the eleventh hour before noon of the year day month indiction and pontificate above written, there being present honest men James Wilsone, John Horsbruk, William Dikesoun, burgesses of Peebles, and Patrick Runsyman, royal messenger, witnesses to the premises specially called and required. Providing that the said convent do exact diligence at the hands of our sovereign lady the queen and the lords of her privy council concerning the discharge of the payment of the third part of the said benefice.]

2 *October* 1564.

Bailies.

Pattrik Dikisoune and Stein Robesoun [with thirty-three and twenty-nine votes respectively] eleckit bailies.

Prowest.

William lord Hay of Yester was creat prowest of our burgh of Peblis and maid his aith thairvpon as vs [is], with the same instructionis as that quhen he wais first creat.

16 *October* 1564.

Counsaill.

James Robesoun allegit that he wais on the counsaill be the spaice of viij yeris, of our burgh of Peblis, and newir requyrit to the counsaill, and thairfor reffuset to be on the counsaill in tymes cumin, and thairof askit instrument.

Names of counsaill.

The names of the counsaill in anno 1564 yeris: Roland Scot, James Tuede, William Dikisoun, John Dikisoun of Melvinland, James Robesoun, Thomas Tuede, John Fresaill, John Horsbruk, John Wychtman, Patrik Newtoun, William Dikisoun of Winkstoun, James Frank, John Cranstoun, Nekoll Vaiche, Thomas Tuedall dekin.

20 *October* 1564.

Meetings of the counsaill.

It is statuit and ordanit be the bailyes and counsaill that ilk xx dais annes the counsaill convein, and that this ordur salbe obsairwit in all tymes cumin that thai be wairnit on the neyht affor, and on the moro at ix houris thay be in redines afftir the wairin of the bell, the day quhilk thai sall conwein on Satterday.

Flesh mercat.

Item, it is statuit and ordanit fra this day bailk that the fleis mercat be

on the Sattirday, beginand at x houris and continuand quhill four afternnwne, and that nane be sauld on the Sounday onder the pane of chettin, and gif sua be ony be sauld prewelle thai salbe haildin brekaris of the said actis and callit and persowit thairfor. Flesh mercat.

Item, it is statut and ordanit that all prebendaris quhatsumeuir of the college kirk of Sanct Andro keip the exhortasciouu thre dais in the woilk and sing the psalmes and do God seruice, onder the pane of vj d. ilk day that thay falye, and the officiaris to pound for the same; and admittis Pattrik now collectour to vplift the same and to noit the said absent in tymes cumin, and that the said vnlawis be disponit to the puir at the sycht of the bailyes. Prebendaries of St Andrews Kirk.

The bailyes and counsall thair present ordanit to mak Andro Frank ane factore to vplift the annuallis of Sanct Lowrence alter bygane, and to cum indurin the tounes will bailyes and counsaill, and that he mak compt thairof to the bailyes counsall and communite. St Lowrance alter.

28 *October* 1564.

It is statuit and ordanit [by the council] that na persoun ly out, beand attechit be thair officiaris, vnder the pane off viij s. owneforgefen wythout thay haif and lauhfull assonye, and mair atour that thair salbe ane condampnattur geffin at the court peremttur gef the pairte compeir not. Attechment be officiaris.

Item, it is statuit and ordanit that na nebur of our said burgh persow ane vther affor ony vthir juge sailfand affor the prowest and balyeis in say far as thai ar jugis competent, vnder the pane of deprivastioun off thame off thair fredowme. Juge.

4 *November* 1564.

The prowest bailles counsall and comvnitie of the burgh of Peblis consulariter gaderit and consyderit the offerris maid be James Gledstanis and the rest of his frendis, partakaris of the cruell slauchter of vmquhill Thomas Peblis and William Bell burgessis of Peblis, and findis the samyn nocht resonable in respect that the said James and his predicessouris, vnder allegit pretence of tytle to the heretage of Cadmuir, quhilkis pertenis to the saidis provest and baillies in heretage, and in trublis tymes the said Gledstanis, Cuidmuir.

Gledstanis, Caidmuir.

James and his predicessouris euir trublit ws and our saidis burgessis be way of deid, and albeit that thay haiff had sufficient tyme bypast quhan that ministratioun of justice was ministrat be the ciuill magistratis the said James nor his predicessouris neuir persewit the samyn be the law bot be way of deid forsaid, and swa the said offer maid be the said James vnto the provest and baillies of our said towne is bot vnder the cloik off the law insafar as he hes had sufficient tyme bypast and his predicessouris to haiff persewit the said actioun, and sua is myndit as we vnderstand to molest and truble our saidis provost and bailles with burgessis as he and his predicessouris hes done off befor, and for awoyding thairof we desyr that thai offer neuir to clame or to haiff actioun to our said landis of Cadmur pertenying ws in heretage.

2 *December* 1564.

Knock and common hous.

The counsaill gaiff the kepin of thair knock and commoun hous [in] the steipill to Thomas Dikesoun sone to William Dikesoun off Winkstoun, and the said Thomas fand William Dikisoun his fader and Johne Dikisoun his aperand [air] and thair airis souerte and causcioun that the bell and knock suld keip na skayth in the keipin off the said Thomas nor vtheris quhilk he suld appount vnder him, bot in cais ony skayth war sustenit in thair default the said souerteis oblissis thair gudis and landis for recompence of the samin, and for the laute of the said Thomas and thais quha he subtetut wnder him that na thing sall want off the said houssis committit to thair credit.

24 *February* 1564.

Lord Yester, provest.

The counsall ordanis to gif me lord Yester ane vtir andssuer that thai on na wis will grant to eleck his lordschip provest for his lyftyme bot as he makis thame caus fra yeir to yeir as thai doid his fader affor, and that according to the act off parliament, for gif the tovne grauntit the said William lord Hay of Yester his dessir of the said office in lifrent the same war hurtfull to thair liberte, quhilk andssur the counsall ordanis to be publist to the said lord knaleg.

7 *April* 1565.

Infeftmentis.

The baillais and counsaill ordanis that na preway infefment be gif be na

notar in tymes cuming bot that the tounes clerk be present with the regester of the toun to reid the saissing that the jugis for the tyme may knaw the werritte, vnder the pane that the same stand to no affek quha dois in the contrair. Infeftmentis.

The counsall ordanis the scuill master to provid ane doctur to tech the scuill, and ilk honest man that hes bairnis to gif the said doctur his meit about, and ordanis the said master to wait himself better on the bairnis nor he doid affor tyme as he will andssur to thame thairvpon. Scuill master and doctur.

19 *May* 1565.

The maist part of the counsaill ordanis the scuill master to gait ane doictur in all haist to tech vnder him, vnder the pane of deprevascioun of him of his office; and that the said master taik na hear waigis fra the landwart bairnis nor he dois fra the tovnes, onle it be of benevolence. Scuill master and doctur.

The counsaill ordanis the bailleis to persow the trublance maid be John Hay and Gilbert Hay aganes the baillie and memberis of court affor the Quenis Maieste and hir graces secreit counsall, or ony vther jug or jugis competent quhoum affor it afferis, that thay ma haif remeid that no sick offences be commettit aganis the memberis of court in tymes cuming on the tovnes expenssis. Trublance be John and Gilbert Hay.

28 *May* 1565.

The said day, William Dikisoun proloquitor for Johne Wille tuk instrument that Gilbert Brovne, menestar off the Croice Kirk and conwent thairof, tuk vpone hand to preif that Johne Wille cuttit and tuk away ane certin esche treis as thair clem preporttitt. Croce Kirk, treis.

The said day, William Kelle textor maid his aith in jugment that he had nowthir art nor pairt off any esche treis clamit be the menester and conwent of the Croice Kirk, nor that he lent nocht Johne Wille his saw to cut ony treis pertening to the said menester and conwent, and that the menester refferrit the samin to his aith, quairof the said William askit instrument.

The said day, Gilbert Brovne tuk instrument that Pattirik Dikisoun baillie granttit in jugment that he fand certan esche treis in John Wille houss quhilk the said Gilbert allegit was cuttit and away tane out of his yaird.

18 *June* 1565.

Ruid and Haille Bluid altars.

The said day, the jugis abovne vriting commandit thair officeris to pass throuch the tovne and pound and streinye all and sindre quha was auhting annuallis to Sir James Dauidsoun, chaiplein of the Ruid altar and Haille Bluid altar, affter the ternnour and form of the instrumentis of the said alterragis, and that becaus the said Sir James is blind and ma nocht werk and trawall for his lewing, and thairof the said Sir James askit instrument.

1 *October* 1565.

Bailies.

James Tuede and William Dikisoun youngar electtit bailyeis creat and suorn, in presens of the commonette, to vs thair office of bailerre within the said burgh ay and quhill thai wair deschairgit.

Wobstaris.

It is statuit and ordanit, with consent and assent of the maist pairt of the wobstaris beand present, that in all tymes cuming that the wobstaris of the said burgh obay thair dekin, and gif ony fallis in ony act or statuet quhilk is devissit be the said craft, the faut beand notir to the dekin and the sovir men quhilk is chossing on his counsaill, the faillair thairintill sall pay xx s. to the ballais of Peblis.

5 *October* 1565.

King and Quein at Dumfreis.

The baillais counsall and maist pairt of the commenitte convenit in our toubuith of Peblis and devissit xij hoursmen to rid to the King and Quein oft to Dunfreis with ix hors of carieg with thame, and the remanent neburis quha remanit at hame oblist thame to pay the kaireag and expenssis that the said neburis depursit, thair comptis beand laid as affeiris, with thair peralyoving, and the said men to ramane indurin the King and Quene proclematioun.

1 *December* 1565.

Our Lady altar.

The said day, in fencit court, the baillais and maist pairt of the counsall and commenette gaif the gift of our Lade altar sittuat within our Kirk of Peblis, quhilk vmquhill Sir Thomas Purvas was last possessur of, to

Thomas Dikisoun student, for all the dais of his lyf, and thairof the said Thomas askyt and requyrit of me notar publict act and instrument. Our Lady altar.

10 *December* 1565.

The haill inqwest findis Adam Cunninghame in the wrang that he trublet the town in strykin John Forsythe, cwitler, in his awin buithe, and ordanis to mak him ane mendis thairfoir at the sycht of the balyes. Trubling the town.

And siclyk findis Andro Stewart in the wrang for the strykin of Jonat Portus and rwging of hir hair, and Malye Pattersone his wyff for casting of ane stane and hwrting the said Jonat betwix the schwlderis.

7 *June* 1566.

It is apounttit conkordit and agreit betuixt honourabill men, that is to say the baillies and counsaill of Peblis on that ane part and Stephane Robisoun burges of Peblis on that vther part, in maner form and effect as followis, that is to say, the said Stephane Robisoun bindis and oblissis him his airis executouris and assignes, and bessydis the samin bindis in claus of warrandis the buro land quhilk he obtynit of Andro Allexander and Thomas Pringill foirland quhilk the said Stephane is infeft in, to hald in the watter to Tueid brig fra the end of the brig west to the kaill heid sufficientlie, sua that the said baillies and counsall sall find na fault thairwith ; and inkais that Thomas Hopringill lowis his forland fra the said Stephane Robisoun his airis or assignis the said Stephane oblissis him and thame that the said hounderath merkis quhairon the saidis landis lyis salbe consignet in ane of the baillies handis of Peblis for the tyme, to the effect that the said baillies and counsall ma haif infeftment thairof in claus of wairandice ; and als the said counsall and bailles ordanis to gif the said Stephane and his airis sassing of xvj lib. of annuallrent of thair Auld Mill for the vphaildin of the said brig wairk yeirlie, to be rassit be the said Stevin his airis thairof say laing as thai haild in the walter, togider with the land, viz., corn land that the said Stephane ma win beyound the brig, resairvand thre gaittis ilk ane of thame xliiij fut of breid to be passagis, and the said baillies and counsaill oblist thame yeirle to gif the said Stephane ane dawirk of ilk inhabitur of the haill toune to suport the said wairk, and failyeand thairof that thai that Tweed cauld.

Tweed cauld. hes na hors pay xviij d. and the horsmen iiij s. quha giffis nocht the said dawirkis as said is yeirle to the said Stephane; and thairof the said Stephane askit instrument.

8 *July* 1566.

Gilbert Browne. The said day, the baillies ordanit to wairn Gilbert Browne, sumtyme freir and the rest of his breider sumtyme freirris, with certificatioun gif thai compeir nocht that Johne Dikisoun petitioun salbe haildin pro confesso to the nixt court.

1 *August* 1566.

Corne mills. The baillies counsall and commonette off the burgh off Peblis hes, be commone ropin thre sindre diueris cortis to the maist awaill for commone weill, hes set thair tua corn millis to Sten Robisone burges off Peblis for all the dais of fyve yeiris nixt heireffter following, entterand thairto at Lammes in anno 1566 yeiris, and to lift all and sindre mwlteris that can be gottin thairoff for fyve yeiris effter his enttrie, for the quhilk assedatioun the said Sten Robisone bindis and oblissis him to content and pay to the baillies and commonite of the burgh of Peblis the sovme of nyne scor of merkis yeirle and ilk yeir vsuall mwne of Scotland at fowir termes in the yeir, viz., fourty fyv merkis at Anhallomes, Candelmes, Beltan and Lammes ay afforhand, and oblissis him to vphaild the said millis wairk in all nessisaris, and the millar to find cog roung and tallo and vthir gud seruice, batht to poir and riche, lautoche in stuif resayuit, and sall nethir haild geis, foullis nor suyne, and the said Sten to vphaild the said millis in all nessisairis in eir irn milstanis ruif milhous sufficientle and substantiusle, and to leif the said millis sawil providit at the ische of the said Sten tak that thai salbe in all nessisairis ganand millis, and that the samin be wissit be the bailles and counsale and thai be ony falt that the said Sten ma provid graithe thairto; and gif ony of the induellaris or niburis of the said burgh grind ony of thair cornis fra thair awin millis the baillies sall caus thame to gif ane multer atht quhat kynd of cornis it be that the said tax-man is defraudit and quhaintate tharof and thairefter mak payment to the said Sten, excep alanerle that the falt be found that the said millis standis

on bak watter be swperflws flwdis or cllis by greit frosteis; and the said balyes and commounete oblissis thame thair airris successoris to keip the said Stewin his airris and assignayis wnmolestit or trublit be one persone. . . . . Corne mills.

30 *September* 1566.

The said day, was chossing bailleis be generall ellectioun Rolland Scot and John Horsbruk [having received sixty and forty five votes, respectively,] for ane yeir, and thair aithe tane thairvpone as vs is. And in lykwais John Dikisoun wais creat clerk of the said cort and his aith tane vpon ay and quhill he be dischairgit. Bailies. Clerk.

The said day, comperit in jugment John Wilsoun dikin of the wobstairis, and produseit ane supplicatioun to the prowest and baillies and dessirit the said baillies thair present that the said suplicatioun mycht be resayuet of thame, and to caus thair clerk registar the samin in thair bukis, quhilk the said bailles abovne writtin grainttit. The tennour of the said dessir followis: Me lord prowest baillais counsaill and commonite of our burgh of Peblis, onto your lordschippis and maisterschippis, humle menis and schawis I, John Wilsone dikin of the wobstairis, by ewis and consent of the haill craift, that quhair your wisdovmis delyuerit vs fremen of the said craift wechtis accordin to the wecht of Edinburgh quhilk we ressayuet, and as yit as we wair affor is rede to ressaw with the samin wechtis, conform to our promissis maid onto your maisterschippis, the werk of the countre and toune, and thair is ane pairt of sturburn personis quha will nocht be content to delyuer in thair stuift with the said wecht quhilk it lyis nocht in our possabillitte to compell tham, nocht the les sen the said wechtis was delyuerit to ws thair is neuir ane nibur or vthir that euir complenit in our courtis on ony craifftis men of the wobstairis bot that thai wair ay willing to resaw with the said wechtis as said is, and requyris this our request to be resayuit in your bukis that gif ony nebur or countre man or woman hes just actioun to complen that thai ma be haird for the awodin of sclander; and your andssur and of the publicatioun and admisioun the said John Wilsoun askit act and instrument. Supplication of the wobstaris.

26 *October* 1566.

Flesh, butter, cheis and tallone.

It is statuet and ordainet [be the counsaill] that the fleis market be on the Satterday in tymes cuming, that na fleis be sauld on the Sonday in tymis cuming vnder the pane of eschitting of the samin, and that Pattirik Newtoun and John Frisall price the said fleis, and that nane be sauld derrer nor thai price the samyn; and siklike that na howkstairis sell butter and cheis with trois weyche vnder the pane eschitting of thair graythe that thai sell; and siklik that na tallone be weit bot with trone vndir the said pane.

22 *February* 1566.

Watch.

The counsall ordanis the hailf quharter of the toun nychtlic to walk in tymes cuming, entterin at viij houris at ein and to remain quhill thrie houris in the mornying, vnder the payne of viij s. vnforgevin; and that aither the principall wailk or ellis ane as sufficient as he waipnit in armour and waippins as efferis.

Dykis, malt, scheip.

And in lyk maner ordanis all heid dykis to be mendit quhay is faltis incontynent, vnder the pane of viij s.; and seiklyk that all auld actis tucching the malt and scheip be pute to dew executioun.

7 *April* 1567.

Preistis in St Andrew Kirk.

The said daye, the baylles ordanes all the preistis qwha is in Sanct Andro Kirk to be wayrnet to compeir the nixt court to produce thair giffit of thair attragis affor thame, with thair presentatioun thairto, to be considerit be the partronis, with certifficastioun quha compiris nocht that the atterigis salbe desairnit in the patronis handis.

Injurious words to a bailie.

The haill inquest findis Thomas Dikisoun in the wraing for giffin Rolland Scot, baillie, ingurius wordis, and putis the said Thomas in the bailleis will thairfor.

Finlaw.

And ordanis that ane herd swld be put to the Finlaw betuix this and the penult day of Aprill, and that na scheip be pastorit thairon, conform to the auld actis.

28 *April* 1567.

Preystis.

The juges ordanet all preystis within our cite of Peblis conweyne the

nixt court according to the former ack, and John Allane and Gilbert Twede personalle, *apud acta*, to prodwce thair tytill the nixt court. Preystis.

The said daye James Dawidsone, Johne Allane, Gilbert Twede, prebendar of the college kirk of Sanct Androwis, beand lawchfwlle prowydet thairto be the prowest baylles of Peblis indowtitt patrones of the samen, compeyrrit, desyring and reqwyring Rolland Scot, John Horsbrwk, baylles of the said bwrgh, sittand in tym in jugment, the jwst extract of thair fundasciones and ewidentis allegit in thair custodie, and desyrris thair ansuer thairwpon, and in caiss of denegascione protestit for remeid of law, and the jwge twik instrument and ack of court thair na ewidentis was produscet be the said preistis bot onle ane deluid allegans, and thairfoir repellit the samyn simpliciter. Preistis in S Andrew Kirk.

The haill inquest hes statuet and ordanit that na persone clem nor cast done the heid dykis nour maik na passegis our the samin in tymes cuming, vnder the paine the first falt viij s., the secund sett in the tolbuith xxiiij houris, and the thrid banishing the toune ; bot that euery nibur pas to the portis and to do thair lessum bessines as efforis. Dykis.

30 *July* 1567.

The jugis desairnis Thomas Fostar laud to content and pay yeirlie to John Allen, prebender of Saunt Johne alter, xl d. of annuall rent, conform to the infefment produseit in jugment *ex dato* the xxvj day of September anno j^{m} v^{c} xxv yeiris ; and ordanis Jonat Lauder, relict of vmquhill James Fraunk, to pay say fair as extendis to hir infefment providing that thair be say mikill defailkit conform to the actt of parliament. St Johne alter.

6 *October* 1567.

John Horsbrugh and Pattrik Dikisoun chosing suorin and admittit bailleis for this present yeir. Baillies.

The said day was creat clerk of this court Johne Dikisone, notar publict, and his aithe tane thairvpone as vse is. Clerk of court.

13 *December* 1567.

The baillies and maist pairt of the counsall of Peblis, be the temnour Thomas Tuede's sons.

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heirof, oblissis thame to Thomas Tuede and his sones that nixt vaken that fallis within the towne of Peblis that the said Thomas sones sall haif the samin, thai beand qualifit thairfor conform to the law and practis of this realm, and thair Thomas Tuede askit instrument.

28 *January* 1567.

Freemen.

The maist pairt of the counsall of our burgh of Peblis, conuenit in the tolbuithe of Peblis, and statuet and ordanit that in all tymes cuming that thair be nocht permittit ony vnfreman to occupy an freman craift within the liberte of the toun of Peblis, and gif thai be apprehendit ony vnfremen ocupyin ane fre man craift that the officaris of the burgh for the tyme sall escheit thair wairklumis that thai wirk with, and in lykwais the stuif in thair handis to be escheit, and the secund falt punesching of thair bodiis at the baillies and counsall will, and the thrid falt to be reput and haildin as dissobaiaris of the auctoritte; and siklik ordanis wairn all the vnfremen within the town to cum and by thair fredowm betuix this [and] the saxt day of Merche nixt tocum, quhilk giff thai failye to certifi thame that this present act salbe put to executioun aganis thame, and that the baillies maik na vnfremen sonnes burges vnder the sowm of xl s. and the thesaurrar to andssur thairfor conform to his resait.

Scheip.

The counsall ordanis the bailleis to put the auld actis to dew executioun tueching [thame] that hes scheip within the town of Peblis, and that thai be nocht permittit to haif the saidis scheip bot that ordur be tane with thame conform to the auld actis.

Men of weir.

And siclik ordanis that ane of the baillies with ane vthir nibur pas to Edinburgh and trawell for the poir werkmen selwer quhilk the men of war is auhten, on the towne expenssis.

6 *February* 1567.

Gifts.

The counsale ordanis the thesaurar to by xij hennes on the toun expens, and to caus vj of thame to be delyuerit to Mr Dauid Magill thair aduocat, and vthir sax to Alexander Hay scryb to the secret counsall.

Menstraill.

The counsall admittis William Purwis colmoun menstraill for ane yeir, and

ordanis him to be andssurit be the thesaurar of xl s. be yeir indurin the tyme he seruis in his office quhill he be dischargit. Menstraill.

4 *October* 1568.

William Dikisone and John Frisall [having received forty-three and thirty-one votes respectively,] chosing and suorin. Baillies.

The counsaill chossing be the said baillies this present yeir: John Horsbruch, Pattrik Dikisone, James Linde thesaurar, John Dikisone elder, James Wilsoun, Pattrik Vaiche, John Wychtman, Thomas Tuede, Pattrik Newtoun, George Horsbruch, Robert Scot, William Kelle dekin; and John Dikisone clerk. Counsale.

The baillies, be awis of the counsall, tuk Johne [Dikisone] suorin lellele and trule to vse the office of clerkship of the said burgh, conform to his gift maid and gifin to him thairvpone for his lyftym, vndir thair commoun seill, and thairof Johne Dikisone askit instrument. Clerk.

13 *October* 1568.

The counsall of the burgh of Peblis ordanis ane of the officiaris to pas to James Craw sculmaster, and warin him to se for himself at Auhallomes, and to dischairg thair said maister fra the said term baik of Auhallomes nixttocum. Sculmaster.

And siklik the said counsall [ordanis] all nychtburis to kep thair waiche within the said burgh, enterand at the hour assignit and continuand quhill the baillies admit thame to depairt, vnder the paue of xxi s. Watch.

27 *July* 1569.

The quhilk day, comperit John Haye and desyrit the bailye William Dikesoun to produsce his commissioun quhair he had power to sit that day, quha confesceit he had nane commissioun prorogat nor had purchasit na power nor lycens of the lordis of cessioun, and insafair as thai grantit thai had nane I say and allegis thai hawe na power to sit on vne qwha is ane landwart man and hes hairwest in landwart owtuith the burgh, and sayis further that all power is tane fra sheref and baillies be ane act of parliament of the Thre Estatis of this realme and sua all power is tane be vertu Baillies commission required to be produced. Harvest.

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of the said act baith fra sheref and baillie becaus of the feriat and clois tyme of harvist, and protestis for remeid of law and nullite of proceis in case thai proceid.

The juge requirit Johne Hay to produce the act of parliament gif thair ony be to verify the said allegeance abone writting, quha grantit that he hes na act subscriuit this day to produce, and he beand warnit xx dayis afoir aucht and suld haif comperit to haif producit the said act as he that was warnit to heir the sentence gevin.

Commoun Struthir.

The inqueist findis be cognitioun that Denys Elphingstoun of Hendersstoun hes bene in possessioun of the thrid part of the landis of the Commoun Struthir be ane famous probatioun ressauit sworne and admittit, and ordanit Johne Hay to desist and ceis thairfra in all tymes cuming, conforme to justice, ay and quhill he be lauchfullie callit and ourdourlie put thairfra be the law.

3 *October* 1569.

Provest.

The said day William lord Hay of Yister was creat provest of the burgh of Peblis for ane yeir and maid his aith thairupone conforme to the actis of burrolawis and parliament maid thairupone, of the quhilk the said provest askit instrument.

Baillies.

Stene Robesone and Mertyn Hay creat baillies for this present yeir be electioun of the provest baillies and communite and maid thair aithis as vse is.

Dikeson of Winkestoun, Kirk graith.

The said day Johne Dikesone of Winkestoun grantit and confessit in jugement that he wes contentit that na man suld be in office in tymes cuming within the burgh of Peblis that had outhir offendit the commontie of the said towne or yit had ony intromissioun with the kirk graith, and Thomas Hoppringill tuk instrument that thai quha had ado thairwith suld mak deliuerance thairof and compt and rakkynning that it mycht be furthcumand to the commoun weill.

12 *December* 1569.

Auld actis.

The inqueist ordanis the auld actis to be drawin and to be put to dew execution and proclainit in all poyntis, and that all nychtbouris to fortify thair baillies in executioun of thair offices, and that na bangistaris be per-

mittit to be inwyth this tovne to do injury to vtheris bot that the baillies pwnys the offendouris as efferis; and forthir that the heid dykis be edifiit conforme to the auld actis; and that inquisitioun be maid of pykeris, and that ordour be tane thairintill. And siclike that thair be na ait breid bakin in this tovne bot that the baxstaris baik kakis, and that na flesche be blawin nor latting done vnder the pane of eschaeting. Auld actis.

30 *January* 1569.

Sir Johne Allane, notare publict, wes restorit and reponit to his place to vse the office of clerkschip of the burgh of Peblis, and wes creat of new clerk agane conforme to my lord provest missiue and hand writting and lifferent, geving be vmquhile Johne lord Hay of Yester, baillies counsale and communite, vnder thair subscriptioun and commoun seill, and ratifiit and apprevit the samin for all the dayis of the said Sir Johne lifetyme, conforme to his title and gift, and maid his aith of new as vse is for obseruing of the samin lelelie and trewlie, and thairupone the said Sir Johne askit instrument. Sir Johne Allane, common clerk, restored.

The maist part of the communite and Mertyn [Hay] ane of the baillies hes obeyit my lord hand writting tuiching the restoring of Sir Johne Allane to his office of clerkschip of the burgh of Peblis conforme to his lifferent geving thairupone and thairupone the baillie foirsaid and communite askit instrument.

The said day, Andro Frank, be command of Mertyn Hay baillie, was chargit be ane of the officiaris of the burgh of Peblis to remane within the kingis ward ay and quhill the iniurious wordis quhilk he said in jugement apone the membris of court, and speciale vpone Sir Johne Allane clerk wer maid gud, quhilk wordis followis: that he suld preif the said Sir Johne ane fals and feuyeit notare; and passit furth of ward without licence and sua brak the ward, and thairupone the juge Mertyn Hay askit instrument and protestit for remeid of law conforme to the dailie practis of the realme. And siclike Dauid Creichtoun scoilmaister, beand chargit in ward for dissobedience brak the said ward, without licence of ony juge or juges, and thairupone the said baillie askit instrument and protestit as is abone writtin. Sir Johne Allane, clerk. Scoilmaister.

The juge, with avise of the maist part of the communite, ordanit the commoun bukis, baith registaris and court buikis, to be carrit and obseruit Commoun bukis.

Commoun bukis. in the commoun kistis within sax houris heirefter, vnder the pane of foirfalting of the kepin of the samin libertie, conforme to the act maid thairupone the xxvij day of Januare last bypast.

Clerk. The said day, Mertyn Hay ane of the baillies of Peblis, with avise of the counsale communite and maist pairt thairof, askit instrument that he desyrit Dauid Creichtoun notare publict burges of Peblis to deliuer him the extract of the act maid the xxvij day of this instant that thai mycht haif inspectioun thairof for putting of the contentis of the samin to dew executioun. To the quhilk the said Dauid Creichtoun, notare, ansuerit sayand that he wald deliuer na extract of the said act nor yit inspectioun thairof without letteres of compulsioun, allegeand the said baillie had dischargit him of his office and electit ane vther clerk in his place, and for that cans wald gif na extract as said is, and of new the said baillie causit Patrik Williamsone officiare charge the said Dauid in ward to do as said is quha hes of before brak ward and dissobeyit; and the said baillie tuk instrumentis that he, conforme to my lord provest writting alanerlie, restorit Sir Johne notare publict and reponit the said Sir Johne in his place as liferentare thairof, quha wes spulyeit of his said office be the space of sevin yeiris bygane or thairby, and nocht as the said Dauid allegit; and thairupone the said Mertyn Hay, baillie, askit instrument and dischargit the said Dauid of ony forthir instructioun of the scoill; and gif he continewit thairintill dischargit him of ony stipend heirefter bot to stand till his aventur thairof.

Tovne bukis. The said day Mertyn Hay, baillie, chargit Stene Robesone his college, be Patrik Williamsone officiare, to cum and assist him to pas and requyre the buikis, baith registaris and court buikis of the tovne, to be obseruit and kepit in thair commoun hous in kistis within the stepill, in the provest name counsale and maist part of the communite of the samin, quha refusit to do as he wes requirit, and thairupone the said baillie, Martyn Hay, askit instrument befor thir witnes: Alexander Gowane, Johne Scot and Patrik Williamsone, burro seriand.

Common scribe. The said day, Sir Johne Allane, notare publict, common scribe of the burgh of Peblis, requirit Dauid Creichtoun, notare, to gif him the copy of the defences gevin in anentis the clame geving be him aganis Johne Nobill, togidder with all vtheris scrowis nocht being registrat in the buikis, baith registratis and court buikis, and in cace he refusit the samin it suld nocht

preiuge the said Sir Johne actioun, togidder with the interloquitour and clame lyand in proces etc., quha ansuerit and said: Stene Robesone the vther baillie gaif him na command thairto. Common scribe.

1 *February* 1569.

Electi pro thesaurario fiendis: George Horsbruk, Thomas Hesilhope maltman, Arthure Johnkesone. [Horsbruk receives fourty four votes; Hesilhope, two; and Johnkesone two.] Thesaurare.

The said day, George Horsbruk wes creat thesaurare of the burgh of Peblis and maid aith as vse is, conforme to practis of the burrow lawis and my lord provest hand writting direct thairupone.

The counsale for this yere: My lord provest, [Here follow the names of the two bailies, treasurer, and fourteen others]. Counsale.

7 *February* 1569.

The said day, my lord provest, with avise of the baillies counsale and communite, ordanis that na man nor woman be ansuerit nor yit the thesaurare deburse ony money in tymes cuming of ony commoun gudis without ane speciale avise of my lord provest baillies counsale and communite. Debursing of commoun gudis.

13 *February* 1569.

[Of this date acts ordaining a nightly watch to be kept and head dykes to be built were passed]. Watch and head dykis.

The inqueist ordanis that the commoun bell be nocht roung in tymes cuming quhill the party haif command of the baillies, and quhen the baillies comperis to the gait all nychtbouris and induellairis within the burgh to convene with him, vnder the pane of viij s. The bell to frayis.

Siclike it is statut and ordanit that na strangearis be lugeit nor ressauit in lugeing within the tovne vnder silence of nycht nor yit on day lycht, bot the ressaueris of the saidis strangearis cum to the baillies and aduertis thame thairof and ansuer for thame quhill the morne the sone rys, in cace thai or ony of thame commit ony skaith or hurt to ony our Souerane Lordis subiectis of the realme, vnder the pane of viij s. and skaith sustenit be the awner, etc. Strangearis.

The said inqueist ordanis all scrowis and buikis, beand in vmquhile John Scrowis.

Scrowis. Dikesone possessioun, vndeliuerit of before, to be deliuerit to the commoun scribe of the burgh to be registrat in the tovne buikis, conforme to the ordour takin thairintill vnder the pane of deprivatioun of thair libertie and viij s. of vnlaw.

Castelhill and middynnis thairof. The inqueist ordanis the middynnis to be tane away of the Castelhill with all diligence, and siclike all the middynnis to be tane away of the hie gait, and to be halding away of the samin in all tymes cuming, vnder the pane of viij s. the first falt, and escheting of the muk the secund falt als oft as thai be ony middynnis found thairupone.

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Thesaurare. The said day, George Horsbruk, thesaurare, protestit gif he war nocht ansuerit of the commoun gudis as vtheris thesauraris wes of auld, of all dewiteis and commoun gudis in tymes cuming, siclike as wes in tymes bygane, vtherwayis he wald discharge him of his office, and desyrit the provest and baillies to caus him be ansuerit thairof.

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The tovne walling. The baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane mynde and voce, is contentit that the tovne and burgh of Peblis be wallit rownd about as thai think maist necessare, in maist sufficient place, as thai think maist expedient, and is contentit that all the dykis within the wall, baith syde dykis thortour dykis and croce dikis by onsettis of houssis, be takin for bigging and edifying of the said wall without ony cummer or truble, and siclike the situatioun of the wall without ony cummer.

Hammiltoun hill. Siclike the haill communite is contentit that the hill of Hammiltoun be heritabillie analiit to my lord Yester, or ony vther that will gif maist thairfore, vnder reuersioun, contenand siclike sovme as can be gotting thairfore.

The act anentis the walling of the tovne. The provest and baillies counsale and hall communite hes conducit and set the walling of the haill tovne and burgh of Peblis rownd about, begynnand at the golt fute, quhilk wes casting vnder Patrik Newtoun yard, and cumand northe about to Peblis Walter endand at Yschare port, and than west about to the said golt fute, contenand four elnis heich half ane elne ground and all thre fute half of brede, with blok houssis as efferis in places convenient, and that to Stene Robesone baillie and Thomas Lawder

masone and sic collegis as thai think caus, for the quhilk caus thai sall haif the proffittis of the tua cornes milnes and Walk Milne and land pertenand thairto for ten yeris, begynand thairto at Beltane nixtocum, and sall vphald the saidis milnis sufficientlie in aik irne and vtheris necessariis; and siclike the said provest baillies counsale communite and inhabitantis thairof sall by and lay in for this present yere tua hundreth ladis of lyme betuix this and pasche nixtocum, and sal begyn to cast the ground betuix this the first day of Marche, and sall compleit the said werk within four [yeris] nixt thairefter; and siclike the provest baillies counsale and communite and inhabitantis of the said burgh sall yerelie cary tua hundreth ladis of lyme to the said wall during the walling thairof, and sa sone it salhappyn the provest baillies counsale and communite to pay tua hundreth merkis money als oft it sall defalk ane yeir tak of the milnis to ryn.

The act anentis the walling of the tovne.

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The hors of the tovne ordanit to feche lyme yerelie to the tovne walling: Patrik Govane, ii. hors; John Portus, i.; Patrik Dikesone, ii.; James Gowane, elder, ii.; William Peblis, ii.; Robert Wilsone, i.; Robert Scot, i.; Dauid Plenderlaith, i.; James Gowane younger, ii.; Johnn Bullo, ii.; Johne Glaschen, ii.; Mertyn Hay, ii.; Johne Stensone, i.; Andro Wychtman, i.; Johne Wychtman, ii.; William Bell, i.; George Horsbruk, ii.; Johne Lythquo, i.; Robert Andersone, i.; William Lillay, i.; James Howburne, i.; Patrik Lowys, i.; The lard Hendirstoun, ii.; Robert Foster, i.; Thomas Hesilhope, ii.; James Wilsone, ii.; Johne Wod, ii.; William Wilsone, ii.; Johne Brady, ii.; Johne Watsone, ii.; Andro Stewart, i.; Johne Towne, ii.; Gilbert Cheisholme, i.; Andro Cheisholme, ii.; William Lowys, ii.; Nicholl Vache, ii.; Thomas Hesilhope, ii.; Patrik Vache, i.; Andro Alexander, i.; William Dikesone, ii.; Johne Stensone, i.; Katherine Portus, i.; Thomas Lowis, ii.; James Tuedy, ii.; Eduard Wychtman, ii.; Thomas Merschell, ii.; Eduard Gowane, i.; Johne Scot, ii.; Eduard Robesone, ii.; James Dikesone, i.; Wille Wilsone wife, i.; Johne Scot, i.; William Dikesone, ii.; Johne Lowys, i.; Thomas Dikesone, ii.; Charles Banerman, i.; Hectour Cranstoun, i.; Johne Kirkwod, i.; Johne Ecfurd, ii.; Johne Fresall, ii.; Arthure Johnkesone, ii.; James Schillinglaw, ii.; Johne Gladdo, i.; Johne Bullo, i.; Johne Haldane, i.; Patrik Murray, i.; Thomas Dikesone, i.; Carriage of lime to the town wall.

Carriage of lime to the town wall.

Frances Cauerhill, i.; Johne Dicsone, i.; Johne Patersone, ii.; Adam Dikesone, i.; Laurence Craufurd, i.; Jonet Quhite, i.; Thomas Tuedy, ii.; Johne Horsbruk, ii.; William Fyldare, i.; Achilles Gladdo, i.; Johne Mosman, ii.; Johne Horsbruk, ii.; Thomas Smyth, ii.; Patrik Newtoun, ii.; Thomas Portus, ii.; Alexander Gowane, ii.; Johne Wilsone, ii.; Johne Smyth, i.

The names of the tovne that wantis hors: Eduard Johnsone, i.; Johne Watsone, i.; Johne Portus younger; Niniane Portus, i.; Eduard Hendersone, i.; James Cokburne, i.; Arche Neisbeth, i.; Johne Stensone, i.; Johne Sandersone, i.; Margreit Tuedie, i.; James Stensone, i.; Adam Dik, i.; Patrik Lowys, i.; Sir Robert Hoip, i.; William Cleghorne, i.; Adam Cauerbill, i.; William Smaill, ii.; Matho Bell, i.; James Portus, i.; William Ecfurd, i.; James Cruzeane, i.; Jonet Foster, i.; Robert Young, i.; Gilbert Hay, i.; Robert Brovne, ii.; Thomas Bennet, i.; Andro Frank, i.; Johne Makke, i.; Johne Smaill, i.; Cristiane Hope, i.; Patrik Thomsone, i.; Thomas Blakstok, i.; George Cokkare, i.; William Tuedy, i.; James Atzin, i.; Margreit Geddes, i.; Gilbert Glaschen, i.; James Dikesone, i.; Adam Hog, i.; Dauid Robesone, i.; Johne Williamsoun, i.; Stene Greif, i.; James Maitland, i.; Johne Peblis, ii.; Johne Phillip, ii.; Johne Dikesone, i.; William Fairle; Johne Andersone, i.; James Cranstoun, i.; William Rechartsoun, i.; Alexander Mathosone; Adam Cunyngame, i.; Johne Robyn, i.; James Dowgell, i.; Gilbert Tuedy, ii.; Alexander Fell, i.; Johne Hog, ii.; Mertyn Craufurd, i.; Sir Thomas Neilsone, ii.; Freir Gilbert Brovn, ii.; Thomas Smyth, i.; James Lowys, i.; Johne Newtoun, i.; Johne Robyn, i.; Johne Hay in Smythfeild, ii.; James Haldane, i.; Arche Haldane, i.; Patrik Robesone, ii.; Thomas Tueddaill, i.; Johne Edmond, i.; Johne Schankis, i.; Johne Murray, i.; James Cokkare; Andro Ewmond, i.; Peter Scheill, i.; James Stewart, ii.; Mr Thomas Archibald, ii.; Johne Stirling, i.; Thomas Ewmond, i.; Johne Wilsone, i.; Johne Wilsone younger, i.; James Thorbrand, ii.; William Kelle, ii.; Johne Fairle, i.; Johne Wyle, i.; Gilbert Andersone, i.: Thomas Patersone, ii.; Robert Patersone, i.; Johne Wychtman, i.; Susteris Plenderlathe, i.; Johne Cheisholme.

Reveilling counsale.

The provest baillies counsale and communite statutis and ordanis quhatsumeuery persone beand sworne on counsale happynnis to reveill ony counsale, the samin beand knawin, he salbe contentit of his awne consent

to be deprivat of all counsale in tymes cuming and to be deprivat of thar libertie and fredome, and to brouk na offices within the libertie of the said burgh thairefter, and gif ony counsale be oppynnit the samin to be tryit quha is the first revelare thairof and incure the panis foirsaidis. Revelling counsale.

2 *March* 1569.

The haill counsale is content, gif ony of thame be absent for the setting forward of the walling of the tovne in tymes to be appoyntit, sua thair be sax present the haill counsall sall affirme the samin, and be thir presentis affirmis the samin, concernyng the said werk and walling of the tovne, and that becaus it standis to be begun on the poynt and sindry of the counsall hes ado that thai may nocht await thairupone, and ordanis Stene Robeson baillie to gif his ansuer gif he wald fulfill his promis anentis the walling of the tovne, quha tuk avisament to the vij day of Merche to gif his ansuer nagatiue or affirmitiue. Counsale for walling of the tovne.

The haill counsale ordanis Adam Gilleis officiare to ressaue the out watches at xij houris nychtlie to pas furth vtouth the burro ruddis, and to walk quhill the sone rysing, and that ane of the outwaches enter nychtly afore the glomyng, and sua ilk ane of the outwaches thair nycht about, and that nane be ressauit in wache without thai haif speir, jak, steill bonet, sword, and buklare; and Adam Gilleis to haif ane boll of meill thairfore quhill Witsonday nixtocum. Ane commoun act of wache.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to sycht and vesy the armour of all nychtbouris and induellaris in the burgh of Peblis, particularle of thair bodyis, that thai haif instantlie, and quha wantis to caus the samin be reformit, ilk ane to thair awne habilite, vnder the pane of viij s. vnlaw als aft as thai be requirit and failyeis thairintill. The nychtbouris armour.

7 *March* 1569.

The said day, Stene Robesone, baillie, ane of the pertinaris of the milnis for walling of the tovne, requirit to gif his ansuer this day being assignit thairto, gaif his ansuer that he wald haif na do nor intrometting thairwyth, and the counsale and communite thairefter to do that thing concernyng commoun weill and quhatsumeuery thing the counsale to stand and be contentit thairwith and for his part to affirme the samin; and thairupone George Horsbruk, thesaurare, askit instrument. The walling of the tovne.

Stene Robesone.

The said day, George Horsbruk, thesaurare, in name and behalf of the haill counsale and communite, desyrit Stene Robesone, baillie, possessour of the saidis corne milnis to produce his tak of the samin to be sychtit and that thai may fynd remeid thairfore, and the said Stene Robesone, baillie, to remoif him of the counsale quhill interloquntour be taking thairupone.

And the said counsale be thair interloquntour offerit to the said Stene, baillie, to augment him thre yeris of his tak mair nor the ten yeris of the milnis for walling of the tovne acceppand his awne sextene pundis of annuell yerelie, in his awne hand, quha refusit *simpliciter* to haif ony intrometting thairwith as afore.

The said day, efter the pronuncyng of the said interloquntour, the hale counsale hes set the walling of thair tovne and burgh of Peblis to Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder, masone, conforme to the indent maid thairupone, augmenting thre yeris takkis of the milnis and euerilk yere ij^{c} hors careche of lyme, and the interprisaris of the said werk to pay Stene Robesone, baillie, his annuell during the saidis threttene yeris tak, and the said Sir Johne bindis his landis and heritage thairfore; and sicklike Thomas Lauder, masone, and his airis is bound for his part thairof baith to relefe the said Sir Johne and the tovne becaus he hes nocht fre heretage thairintill, and thairupone the counsale and partiis *hinc inde* askit instrument and ordanit ane lettre of tak efter the forme and tennour of the indent to be maid and insert thairefter in the tovne buikis.

Indenture of the walling of the tovne and burgh.

Thir indenturis maid at Peblis, the vii day of Merche yere of God ane thousand five hundreth and thre score nyne yeiris, beris contenis and proportis that it is finalie appunctit aggreit and compromittit betuix William lord Hay of Yester, provest of the burgh of Peblis, Mertyn Hay, Stevin Robesone, baillies of the said burgh, counsale and communite of the samin, on that ane part; and Sir Johne Allane commoun clerk and Thomas Lauder, masone, on that vther part, in maner forme and effect as efter followis, that is to say, the saidis provest baillies counsale and haill communite hes conducit and feyit the walling of the said tovne and burgh of Peblis rovnd about, begynnand at the golt fute, quhilk wes casting vnder Patrik Gowane yard fute, and cumand north about inwith my lord Borthik wallis to Peblis Walter, endand at Yschare Wynde and Port, and thau west about to Peblis brig, and fra thyne dome the bak of the south syde of the

Indenture of the walling of the tovne and burgh.

tovne to the said golt fute, contenand four elnis half heich ground and all, thre futtis half ane fut of breif, with blok houssis as efferis in places convenient. For the quhilk caus the said Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, masone, sall haif the proffittis of the tua corne milnis, walk miln and land pertenand thairto, for the space of threttene yeris, thair entre begynnand thairto at the Feist of the Inuentioun of the Croce callit Beltane nixtocum, and sall ressaue the saidis milnis sufficient in aik irne stanis and vther necessariis, and during the saidis threttene yeris sall vphald thame sufficiently in aik irne and vtheris necessariis, and sall leif thame als sufficient at the ische of thair tak as thai ar at thair entre thairto: attour the said tovne and communite sall by and lay in this present yere tua hundreth ladis of lyme betuix this and Pasche to begyn the said werk with, and yerelie during the saidis four yeris quhill the said werk be completit tua hundreth ladis of lyme, and the saidis Sir Johne, Thomas, and thair seruandis, sall begyn and cast the ground quhowsone the saidis tua hundreth ladis of lyme ar laid to the werk; and the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas sall haif all the dikis, syde dykis and thortour dykis, and vtheris stanis within the wall, by onsettis of houssis alanerle; and sall compleit the said werk and wall within four yeris nixt efter the said werk be begown. Forthir quhowsone it salhappyn the provest baillies counsale and communite pay to the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas tua hundreth merkis money, als oft it sall discharge ane yere tak of the saidis milnis, provyding alwayis that the saidis Sir Johne and Thomas sall pay Stene Robesone yerlie during the saidis threttene yeris his saxtene pundis of annuell. In witnes of the quhilk thing the saidis provest baillies and counsale hes subscriuit the samin, in maner following, day yere and place foirsaid. Sequuntur subscriptiones: William, lord Hay of Yester; Martyn Hay, baillie; Stene Robesone, baillie; George Horsbruk, thesaurare; Denys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy, Patrik Dikesone, James Gowane, Thomas Tuedy, William Lowys, Johne Horsbruk, Thomas Hesilhope, Patrik Newtoun, Johne Wychtman, William Dikesone, Andro Frank, Gilbert Tuedy, James Wilsone.

Mercat.

The counsale hes ordanit the mercat to begyn at tua houris efter novne, and to sell and met meill quhill sax houris at ewin, and that nane be sauld thairefter vnder the pane of deling of the samin.

20 *March* 1569.

Paying wachis. The counsale ordanis the rest of the siluer pertenand to the outwachis to poynd and destreuye for the samin, and deliuer the poyndis thairof to the outwachis quhill thai be payit, and thairefter to gadder thair wagis throw the tovne to fey thame of new agane quhill thair be ane new ordour takin.

Gunnaris. The counsale ordanis Johne Wychtman to conduce and fe sax gunnaris, to cum to the tovne incontinent, on the tovne expensis, as thai will tak ordour thairwith, and that thai be in Peblis on Tusday at ewin, and the baillies oblist to releif thame of thair payment and wageis; and ordanis the haill quarter to walk nychtlie.

3 *April* 1570.

Defence of tovne. The counsale ordanis that euery nychtbour compeir to the Hie Gait with thair armour quhosone the swische strykis, vnder the paine of thame that absentis thame thairfra to be accusit hes ane partakkare and assistaris of thame that invadis the said tovne, and that the swische strike nocht without it be the tovne actioun, vnder the pane foirsaid.

6 *April* 1570.

Frayis. The baillies counsale and communite ordanis the baillies, accumpanit with the nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, to assist togidder and to be reddy with armour for stancheing of cummeris, alsweill bygane as to cum, in cace ony suddand tulye fall accidentlie within the liberte of burgh, vnder the pane of foirfalting of thair fredome; and all persones quha hes offendit to stand vnder arrestament, and specialie William Tuedy; and quhowsone ony of thame cum to the tovne to be wardit within the tolbuth quhill thai fynd cautioun to ansuer afore jugeis ordinaris as accordis of the law, and this failye to be tryit at my lord incuming in the cuntre.

12 *April* 1570.

Cummaris. The maist part of the counsale ordanis the baillies to write to my lord provest anentis the trublance dependand amangnis nychtbouris for avoyding of cummeris in tymes cuming, and that ane addresseament be tane thair-

intill be my lord personalle present, that reformatioun may be maid as accordis, conforme to our auld libertie and fredome of burgh, that nychtbouris thairafter may leif at quyetnes and rest in tymes cuming; and ordanis ane writting to be maid with ane honest man and send to my lord as commissionare to the tovne. Cummaris.

The provest baillie and counsale ordanis the counsale to convene and sycht the passage quhair the wall of the tovne suld be set and consider the samin, that quhen the werk is begynnand that the interprisaris thairof be nocht cummerit in the setting fordward of the said wall, bot that thai haif fre passage without ony cummer, on the tovne expensis. Town wall.

18 *April* 1570.

The baillies and maist pairt of the counsale, and Mertyn Craufurd consent, ar content to cheis newtrale men to satyfy the said Mertyn for the skaith sustenit be him in the setting of the wall of the tovne within his heretage, at the sycht of thir persones vnder writtin, schosing be consent of baith the partiis, viz.: the said Mertyn Craufurd is content of his awne proper confessioun that the baillies and counsale comprise his hous instantlie as it standis, tymber and wallis, and to satify him thairfore, or ellis to mak him als gude ane hous in thak wallis and tymber as accordis, and forthir to satify him for the rovme of the situatioun of the wall as passis throuch his heretage, conforme to the vse of the tovne efferand thairto, and to satify all vtheris havand entres in siclike caces; and thairvpone the thesaurare George Horsbruk askit instrument. Mertyn Crawfurd and walling of the tovn.

The provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes constitut Dennys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy, George Horsbruk and Johne Fresall, coniunctlie and seuerale, procuratouris for the tovne, counsale and communite thairof, anentis the commoun welth and walling of the tovne. Tovnes procuratouris.

6 *May* 1570.

The counsale ordanis the baillies to caus thair officiaris charge Dauid Creichtoun to remane in ward within the tolbuth vnto the tyme he deliueris all the scrowis that is in his hand kepand to the commoun clerk, that thai may be registrat in the court buikis. Scrowis.

8 *May* 1570.

Away takin materiales fra the commoun werk.

The provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes statut and ordanit that [na] induellare within the burgh of Peblis, nouther fremen nor vtheris, tak away nor intromet with ony materialis lyand at the commoun werk and walling of the tovne, sic as sand lyme stanis tubbis standis bukkatis spadis schulis pikkis mattokkis gawillokkis sand pokkis, mandis or barrowis, or intend to win ony sand in Skynner Heweht quhill the commoun werk be endit, vnder the pane of forfalting of the fremen of thair libertie and banissing of the vnfremen the tovne.

20 *June* 1570.

Town wall. Deliverance of arbiters.

The quhilk day, be the ordinance of the provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, conforme to thair deliuerance of ane bill direct thairupone of before, of the dait at Peblis the xxviij day of Aprile anno 1570, viz., Denis Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, Mertyn Hay baillie, Sir Johne Allane, Johne Stodert, James Tuedy, Alexander Gowane, chosing for Mertyn Craufurd; and Stene Robesone baillie, Patrik Newtoun, George Horsbruk, William Lowys, and William Dikesone younger, chosing for the tovne: anentis the situatioun of the wall within ane part of the said Mertyn Craufurd heretage, the said sworne men ordanis and decretis the provest baillies counsale and communite to content pay and deliuer to the said Mertyn Craufurd for the skaithis sustenit be him this present yere, for the inlaik of the proffit of his taill and yard, ane boll beir; and Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, interprisaris of the werk, for inlaik of this present yere, to pay the said Mertyn half ane stane of lynt, and the said provest baillies and communite to releif the said Mertyn Craufurd his airis quhatsumeuer at the handis of Johne Tuedy student and vtheris, prebendaris of the Rude alter, of the yerelie payment of sex s. for the situatioun of the said wall within his said taill, and to mak the said Mertyn annuell of his forbuth fre, and to gif him sic securite for the yerelie payment thairof as afferis, and that nane molest nor cummer the interprisaris of the said wall of the situatioun thairof within thair boundis. And to pay for ilk laid lyme for the careche iiij s. vj d. the first yere, and the rest of the yeris iiij s. alanerlie for ilk careche.

14 *July* 1570.

Regiment of the realme.

The haill counsale present for the tyme ordanis Stene Robesone, baillie, accumpanit with George Horsbruk thesaurare, and Andro Alexander, pas done to Edinburgh with the tovne commissioun the xvj day of Julij for the estabillissing of the regiment of the realme, conforme to the clois missiue send to my lord provest baillies and communite of the burgh of Peblis be my lordis Lenox, Angus, Mortoun, Mar, Glencairn, Ruthven, Glammis, Vchiltre and Carthcart, datit at Striueling the xxiij day of Junii anno 1570.

Mr Robert Inschaw.

Siclike, the counsale ordanis ane ansuer to be maid to maister Robert Inschaw, conforme to the contentis of his writting, etc.

1 *August* 1570.

Raid in Lythquo.

The counsale hes ordanit Mertyn Hay, baillie, William Bell, James Gowane, Patrik Vache, Johne Wod, Patrik Dikesone, Thomas Dikesone, Johne Wychtman, to ryde furth with my lord to the hoist to the raid in Lythquo, conforme to the proclamatioun, providing alwayis that my lord gif his obligatioun to releif the tovne harmeles at the thesaurare handis.

25 *August* 1570.

William Dikesone wife.

My lord provest baillies and counsale fyndis William Dikesone wife in the wrang in stryking of Blais Stewart with hir fauldit neif, and ordanis hir to ask the said Blais Stewart forgifnes, sayand sche hes failyet.

2 *October* 1570.

Kingis lettres anentis electione of provest baillies and commoun officiaris.

The said day Stene Robesone, Mertyn Hay, baillies, Denys Elphingstoun, Johne Wychtman, James Tuedy, Johne Bullo, James Gowane younger, Gilbert Tuedy, Patrik Vache, Johne Wod, Thomas Tuedy, William Lowys, William Dikesone, Patrik Dikesone, Andro Alexander, Patrik Newtoun, maist part of the counsale, ordanit and be the teunour heirof ordanis the charge and letteres direct be the Kingis Maiestie his graces regent and lordis of secreit counsale anentis the chesing of thair provest baillies and commoun officiaris,

Kingis lettres anentis electione of provest baillies and commoun officiaris.

and compt rakkyning payment and deliuerance of thair commoun gudis and kirk graith, to be obeyit in forme and effect as efferis, efter the tenour of the saidis letteres, apone the quhilk obedience Denys Elphinstoun in name and behalf of the baillies and counsale foirsaid askit instrument.

Bailies.

The electis chosing this present yeir be my lord provest to be baillies: Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Newtoun, James Gowane, younger, William Lowys, Johne Fresall, William Dikesoun.

The said day Johne Horsbruk and Patrik Newtoun wes chosing and electit baillies be commoun wotis and maid thair aith as vse is.

Provest electing.

The baillies and counsale hes electit William lord Hay of Yester provest for ane yeir, ald vsit and wont, and maid his aith as vse is, conforme to the act of parliament and burrolawis; and thairupone the said lord askit instrument.

The dekin of wobstaris.

The said day, Peter Sheill, textour, wes ressauit in jugement dekin sworne and admittit, and thairupone the said Peter askit instrument that the samin wes done be consent of the haill craft.

Dissobedencie of my lord Regentis letteres.

The said day, James Tuedy, in name and behalf of the counsale and communite, and assisting of our Soverane Lord and his graces Regent letteres and charge direct anentis the chesing of provest baillies and commoun officiaris, [protestit] that William Dikesone and Johne Horsbruk wes nocht abill to be chosing as electis to be baillies in respect of our said Souerane Lord and his graces Regent letteres and charge, becaus thai war baith culpable of ane part of the gudis and kirk graith, allegeand thairthrow thai dissobeyit the said charge and letteres, and thairupone the said James askit instrument.

Johne Horsbruk confessioun.

And the said Johne Horsbruk confessit in jugement ane part of ane chalice deliuerit to him be James Tuedy, thesaurare for the tyme, and is reddy to mak compt rakkyning and payment thairof, and William Dikesone denyis simpliciter intromissioun outhir with commoun gudis or kirk graith bot that quhilk he had payit, and protestit in cace outhir of thame wer electit baillie that our said Souerane Lord and his graces regent letteres and charge wes dissobeyit.

Tuedy contra the electis.

To the quhilk ansueris James Tuedy that he gaif ony part of chalice to Johne Horsbruk bot that the said Johne Horsbruk, being baillie for the tyme, compellit him as ane subject, the said Johne beand superiour becaus

the said James wes kepare of ane of the keyis of thair commoun kist, and thairupone askit instrument. Tuedy contra the electis, Kirk graith.

The said day, James Tuedy, in name and behalf of the maist of the counsale and communite, tuk instrument that my lord provest dissobeyit our Souerane Lord and his graces Regent and lordis of secreit counsale letteres and charge, becaus his lordschip votit and electit with Johne Horsbruk and William Dikesone to be baillies, beand culpable of ane part of the commoun gudis and kirk graith. And my lord Yester provest oblist him to ansuer to the king his graces regent and lordis of secreit counsale for the saidis Johne Horsbruk and William Dikesoun and vtheris quha he gaif in tecat to be electis and baillies, and to mak compt rakynning and payment for thair intromissioun, outhir with commoun gudis or kirk graith, safar as thai intromettit with.

The quhilk day, Andro Alexander messinger producit thir names vnder writtin in jugement be vertu of our Souerane lord his graces Regent and lordis of secreit counsale charge and letteres, viz., Johne Horsbruk, James Tuedy, Johne Wychtman, Rolland Scot, Johne Dikesone redare, William Dikesone, Patrik Dikesone, and Johne Dikesone of Melvingland, as intromettouris ressauaris and desponaris of ane part of the common gudis and kirk graith, and that afore the electing and chesing of the baillies, protestand solemniter gif my lord votit or electit ony of the saidis persones in office by the effect and tennour of the saidis letteres for dissobeydiance thairof that he mycht haif place to indorse apone the said dissobedience as efferit to his office to the quhilk he wes sworne. Commoun gudis and kirk graith.

25 *October* 1570.

The haill inqueist ordanis all meill to be presentit to the mercat croce, and nane remane in houssis, and that nane be sauld quhill tua efter novne, nor nane be sauld efter sax houris, vnder the pane of deling of the samin, and that ilk meill sell to the poor of ilk laid ij pekkis meill, and that it be als gud in the ers of the seke as in the mouth vnder the pane foirsaid. Meill mercat.

15 *November* 1570.

Johne Horsbruk, ane of the baillies of Peblis, tuk instrument that

Trubling the court. Robert Dikesone of Ormistoun trublit the court sayand that gif he gat Alexander Williamsone gangand endland Tuedesyde he suld fetter him as ane theif.

Counsale. The counsale sworne and chosing for this present yere: Mertyn Hay [and fourteen others.]

18 *November* 1570.

Baillies, custummis. The baillies tuk instrument that thai requirit the honest men of the tovne to releif thame of the xvj li. that thai war awand to the chakkare for the custummis bygane, for the quhilk thai war chargit to pay or elis to be put to the horne for the samin.

Sir Robert Hoip. The counsale and communite ordanis the baillies to tak of the reddyest of Sir Robert Hoip monei to pay the xvj lib. monei to the chakkare for the custummis bygane to releif the baillies fra the horne, and mak Sir Robert Hoip securite for the annuell thairof, safare as thai tak, and gif him saising thairof, viz., of Johne Scot and Johne Bullo, and to roip the hillis of Caidmuir betuix this and Witsonday to pay the releif of the said sovme of xvj lib. monei.

6 *December* 1570.

Watch, portis, dykis. [Of this date "the inqueist ordanis viij men to walk nychtlie;" all the ports "to be sufficientlie stekit;" and "the heid dykis to be sychtit and biggit round about the tovne, alsweill clois futtis as vtheris."]

Stepill. Siclike, ordanis the stepill and knok to be ordourlie and sufficientlie kepit, vsit and wont, and to regne xij houris, vj houris, and courfyre nychtlie, and to pay Andro Frank his fe thairfore byganes as tocum, ay and quhill he be dischargit.

20 *December* 1570.

Fute ball. The baillies counsale and communite ordanis that thair be na playing at the fute ball on the Hie Gait in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of ilk persone fyndand playand viij s. and cutting of the ball.

15 *January* 1570.

The haill inquest ordanis the baillies to pas throuch the tovne and vesy euerilk induellare within the burgh of Peblis and se quhat bestiall thai haif to leif vpone or ony vtheris gudis or geir; and to pvnis all pykaris of caill, erbis, cornes, fewale, hennys, caponis, geis, or ony vtheris gudis and geir, and quha thai fynd culpabill thairintill to punys thame conforme to the auld actis and banys thame the tovne conforme to the auld actis maid in vmquhile Robert Hoppringill and Andro Wychtman, baillies, tymes. Pykaris.

And sielike that thair be na scheip fund pasturand within the burro ruddis in yardis or cornes in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of eschaeting of the samin. Scheip.

And sielike ordanis quhatsumeuery personis, wemen, mennis wiffis, or vtheris persones quhatsumeuer, that is found flytand on the Hie Gait in tymes cuming to be put sax houris in the linkis without fauouris. Flytand.

And the heid dykis to be biggit round about within viij dayis efter the lowyssing of the storme. Heid dykis, storme.

10 *February* 1570.

The maist part of the communite of the burgh of Peblis is contentit with maister Thomas Cranstoun writting tuiching his desyre to schaw the Word of God trewlie, and to send ane commissioun to him with the lard of Henderstoun and ane of the baillies. Mr Thomas Cranston.

The baillies and communite ordanis fourty persones, honest men, to furnys xl s., euerilk persone to pay xij d., for to speik the Regent grace to haif fauouris to byde at hame fra the proclamatioun newlie ordanit for to be in Glasgw the xiiij day of this instant, and fynd remedy thairfore, and to wit benevolent pay the samin. Glasgw.

16 *February* 1570.

The baillies counsale and communite hes ordanit Patrik Newtoun, ane of the baillies of Peblis, accumpanit with Johne Wychtman, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Hesilhope mercheand, William Dikesone, Andro Alexander, ryde to the oist to Glasgw, conforme to the proclamatioun, and to see gif they can haif ane addres of my lord Regent grace or noeht, and thairefter to aduertis Oist at Glasgow.

Oist at Glasgow.

with ane cursour quhidder thai get ane addressement or nocht, and the said aduertisment beand maid to the haill tovne, to take the nixt best, and gif it be found that thai get ane sufficient addres the rest of the tovne to beir the said baillie and the saidis sax nychtbouris with him expensis.

14 *March* 1570.

Schoolmaster.

The baillie and maist part of the communite beand present for the tyme, hes ordanit Maister Andro Cranstoun, be the admission of the kirk, for instruction of the youth to tak the barneis of the tovne to instruct thame, and appoyntis the tolbuthe to him to teche the barneis in quhill Beltane nixtocum, and quha plesis to put thair barneis till him for thair instruction. The said day Dauid Creichtoun grantit himself, of his awne confessioun, lauchfullie warnit fra the scoill, and that he suld remoif thairfra at Beltane nixtocum.

25 *April* 1571.

The Vanelaw waist.

The haill inqueist ordanis the Vanelaw to be proclamit waist seute and hanyng quhill Witsonday nixtocum that the baillies tak ordour thairintill, vnder the pane of paying of viij s. for ilk sowme apprehendit thairupone the first falt, the secund xvj s., the thrid falt xxiiij s., and the vnlawis thairof to be applyit to the brig werk ; and ordanis the baillies and Thomas Lawder to vesy the said brig werk and to consider quhat is necessar thairfore, and the samin to be modifiit vniuersalie amang the inhabitantis to be payit gif the said vnlawis will nocht satify the samin.

Wache. Beltane.

The said inqueist ordanis the half of the tovne to walk nychtlie quhill Beltane ewin, and the haill toun to walk on Beltane ewin, Beltane day at ewin, and the morne efter Beltane day quhill thai se quhat stay may cum in the cuntre for resisting of thevis.

Out wauche.

And as tuiching the out wachis, ordanis thame that hes nocht payit to pay that thing sa far as is restand, and thairefter to mak ane new taxt to mak forthir wauching quhill forthir ordour be taken.

Brigwerk. Pulder.

Item, the said inqueist ordanis viij personis of them that is ellis brokin anentis the payment of the pulder and breik thame that brak the laif efter Beltane, and in the mein tyme to gif to the gunneris ane quarter of pulder, and xx lib. to be broking to the brig werk and pulder.

Item, anentis the payment of the scoilmaister, ordanis the provest and baillies to set the hillis or ony vther wayis to the hieast awaill to mak him payment thairof for thair awne releif of the charge of the kingis letteres direct to thame thairupone. Scoilmaister.

Item, ordanis the actis done of before be the tuelf men for the situatioun of the wall about the tovne to be obscruit and kepit, of the dait the xviij day of Aprill anno 1570 and xxx day of Junii anno predicto. Town wall.

Item, the inqueist is content that Maister Thomas Cranstoun, minister, be payit of the thrid of the personage and vicarage of Mennare and Peblis as efferis to the quantite and availl thairof. Minister.

Item, the inqueist ordanit the appoynteament of the buttis bigging to be kepit be the contractaris and appoyntearis thairof. Buttis.

24 *May* 1571.

The quhilk day, comperit Johne Dikesone of Melvingland and desyrit the baillies and counsale to call in particularlie be thair precept the intromettouris with the kirk geir and commoun geir to thair awne particulare vse, quhilk suld be restorit and geving agane bakwark to the commoun vse of the tovne, and to be chargit vpoun four dayis warnyng, conforme to the vse of burgh, quhairthrouch that taxationes nor stentis apone the poore. Kirk geir.

The baillies and counsale ordanis the officiaris to pas throuch the tovne on Witsonday ewin and desyre honest men sum to leid ane laid of lyme to the brig werk and sum sand and sum stanis, and thai that wil nocht send thair hors that we may knaw thair gud will thairto. The brig werk.

The baillies tuk instrument that thai with awise of the communite dischargit thame of ony intromissioun with my lord Newbotle hoggis quhilkis wes red fra the thevis, and makkis thame fre to my lord Newbotle seruandis, William Ackin and William Allane, and thairupone the baillies askit instrumentis. This wes done in the Tolbuth of Peblis at ix houris forrow novne or thairby, before thir witnes: Denys Elphingstoun of Henderstoun, James Tuedy burges in Peblis, and Sir Johne Allane notare publict. Lord Newbotles hogs.

The said day, in presens of the notare publict and witnes vnder writting, William Allane, officiare foirsaid, in name and behalf of my lord Newbotle, desyrit Gilbert Hay to deliuer to him in name and behalf of the said lord

Lord Newbottles hogs.

Newbotle, quha ansuerit and said he had na intromissioun with the saidis hoggis bot causit the childrene quha wes reddaris thairof fra the thevis to hald thame and keip thame togidder to my lord vtilite and proffit quhill the said childrene wer satifiit for the redding of the same, and thairupone William Allane, officiare foirsaid, askit instrument. This wes done at the said Gilbert Hay duelling place, at ten houris forro novne or thairby, before thir witnes: Arthure Jak, seruand to the chalmerlane of Glasgw, William Tempill, Robert Rust, with vtheris diuers.

19 *June* 1571.

Disobeying bailies.

The inqueist findis Johne Bell dissobedient to the baillie that wald nocht obey the said baillies charge quhen he molestit and trublit the tovne, and thairfore ordanis the said Johne Bell to compeir at the mercat croce and ask Patrik Newtoun baillie forgifnes, and to find caustioun to obey officiaris in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of banissing the tovne and his body to be pvnist conforme to the lawis of the realme.

And ordanis gif ony fremen within the libertie of burgh dissobeyis the baillies or ony vtheris officiaris to forfalt thair liberte and fredome, and vnfremen or seruandis dissobeyand to be banisst the tovne for euir, and this act of ordinance to be vsit in all tymes cuming.

Patersone, chep.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies and counsale to vesy and sycht quhair Johne Patersone desyris the chep to be biggit and lat him haif it be ane sufficient rowme, nocht hurtand the hie passage and kingis streit, conforme to the vse of the tovne and ordour of burro lawis.

27 *July* 1571.

Brig werk.

The baillies ordanis the officiaris to warne the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis to pay thair day werkkis awand be thame vnpaiit to the brig werk, vnder the pane of poynding of thair guddis vsit and wont, and failyene thairof committis Stene Robesone vphaldare of the said brig werk to poynd thairfore als weill in tymes cuming as for the byganis.

The wauche.

The baillies and communite ordanis the quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie, and to elect ane maist honest man of the said quarter quartermaister, and to obey the officiaris as thai salbe commandit vnder the pane of ane vnlaw als oft as thai failye.

12 *September* 1571.

The baillies and counsale ordanis Dauid Creichtoun, scoilmaister, to be ansuerit of x lib. of the xlvj li. ij s. viij d. taxt quhilk wes collectit and gadderit for the men of weir to gang to Leith, and that of the superplus of the said sovme, and the rest thairof to be deliuerit to the officiariis and Andro Frank. Scoilmaster, officiaris, Frank.

1 *October* 1571.

The quhilk day, Andro Alexander producit in jugement, afore the electing and chesing of the provest and baillies of the burgh of Peblis, our Souerane Lordis letteres chargeing William lord Hay of Yester provest, Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Newtoun, baillies of the said burgh, makkand mentioun: Forsamekle as vmquhile our derrest cousing, James erle of Murray lord Abirnethy regent to ws our realme and liegis, quha restis with God, wrait to the provest and baillies of Peblis, nocht onlie in the yere of God j^m v^c lxviij yeris but also before the feist of Michaelmes in the yeir of God lxix yeris, anent the chesing of their baillies and commoun officiaris of the maist honest worthy and sufficient men within thair toun that war nocht of factions nor hes nor had melling and intromissioun with thair commoun gude and kirk graith to thair privat vses, to the effect that the samin mycht haif bene employit to the bigging of ane wall about our said burgh to resist the invasioun of thevis, quhairvnto our said vmquhile cousing wes willing to hald hand that the samin mycht be performit; nochtwithstanding our derrest gudschir Matho erle of Levinax lord Dernlie, our lauchfull tutour and now regent to ws our realme and liegis, vnderstandis that thair is na thing done be the saidis provest and baillies to sa gud ane actioun tending samekle to the commoun weill of our said burgh and eais of our Prince liegis within the samin, bot the saidis commoun gude and kirk graith intromettit witht and desponit be sum particular persones mair regardand thair awne privat proffitt and commodite nor the publict weill of the samin burgh; for remeid quhairof our will is and we charge yow straitlie and commandis that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye pas and in our name and authorite command and charge the saidis provest and baillies of our said burgh of Peblis now present to tak compt and rakkynning of the persones intromettouris quhatsumeuer with the said commoun gude and My lord regents charge to the provest and baillies.

My lord regents charge to the provest and baillies.

kirk graith, and thairefter eaus ilk ane of thame for thair awne part to rander restore and deliuer the samin agane, so far as thai haif intromettit with, to the saidis provest and baillies or to the collectour that thai sall appoynt for the resset thairof, to the effect that with the avise of the counsale and communite of our said burgh the samin may be applyit to the commoun weill thairof in bigging of ane wall thairabout, within sax dayis nixt efter the saidis provest and baillies be chargit be yow thairto, vnder the pane of rebellioun and putting of thame to our horne, or ellis that thai vpone the samin sax day compeir personalie afor our said derrast gudsire and regent and lordis of our secreit counsale at Edinburgh or quhair it sallhappin thame to be for the tyme and schaw ane ressonabill eaus quhy the same suld nocht be done, with certificatioun to thame and thai failye, our vtheris letteres salbe direct simpliciter to put thame to our horne and all thair moveable gudis escheit and inbrocht till our vse for thair contemptioun, according to justice, as ye will ansuer to ws thairupone; the quhilk do we commit to yow coniunctlie and seueralie our haill power be thir our letteres, deliuering thame be yow dewlie execut and indorsat agane to the berare. Geving vnder our signet, and subscriuit be our said derrast gudschir and regent, at Edinburgh the xj day of September and of our regne the ferd yere. Efter productioun of the quhilk charge and charge geving, the said Andro Alexander askit instrument that the saidis provest and baillies of the said burgh obeyit the saidis letteres and contentis thairof in all tymes cuming, and tak compt rakkyning as said is, and apply the samin to the walling of our said burgh, vnder the pane foirsaid.

Baillies.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis: William Dikesone, Robert Scot, James Wilsone, Alexander Gowane, Stene Robesone, Thomas Hesilhop.

The said day James Wilsone and William Dikesone, be commoun vot of the provest baillies and communite of the said burgh, is chosing baillies for ane yere, and maid thair aithis as vse is for administratioun of justice, baith to poore and riche, and ressauit the wand thairof in signe and takin of the samin.

5 *December* 1571.

Town wall.

The haill inqueist ordanis the interprisaris of the wall to fall to the werk the morne, and lift the dykis quhatsumeuer appoyntit, and lay to the

werk and compleit the samin as the rest is, safare as the stanis will serf; and that na man molest truble nor cummer thame thair seruandis in lifting of the saidis stanis and dikis as said is, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving. Town wall.

Siclike, ordanis that ane of the baillies, accompanit with four or five honest men, pas throuch the mercat wolklie and inhibit that na man, regratand the mercat, by ony meill bot samekle as will sustene the byaris for viij dayis alanerlie, and that na meill be sauld afore tua efter novne nor efter sax, and that all meill be presentit to the mercat met and sauld thairintill and in nane vther place, and that the meill be als gud in the sek ers as in the mouth thairof, providing alwayis gif ony meill in tymes cuming be apprehendit in houssis furth of the mercat the samin sall pay to the officiar apprehendare thairof ane firlot of meill and the rest of the sek to be delt to the poore folk, and that na nychtbour within the tovne by meill to ony landwart man that is ane cowpare of meill vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving. Meill.

The inqueist ordanis the dissobeyaris and contempnaris of the kirk to be pvnist be the baillies as accordis, efter the vse and consuetude of vther reformit townis. The kirk.

19 *December* 1571.

The baillies tuk apone hand to preif the contentis of our Souerane Lordis letteres producit be Dauid Creichtoun tuiching his stipend contenand the sovme of xx li. payit, viz., x lib. thairof be the baillies and ten pundis be Stene Robesone, and that at my lord incuming in the cuntre, and als to preif that he wes lauchfullie dischargit fra the instructioun of the scoleris and scoill in Januare in anno Domini j^{m} v^{c} and thre score nyne yeris, and thairupone the baillies askit instrument. Baillies. Creichtoun, scoilmaister.

To the quhilk ansuerit Dauid Creichtoun that he wes nocht lauchfullie warnit be the said Mertyn Hay as baillie to remoif of his office as is allegit, becaus the said Mertyn being half member of court for the tyme and havand Stene Robesone his college and William lord of Yester as provest and superiour onto thame, on tha wayis the said Mertyn culd [nocht] mak intimatioun of warnyng to the said Dauid without consent of the said provest and college forsaid counsale and communite of the said burgh, and als gevand

Bailies. Creichtoun, scoilmaister.

and nocht grantand ony warnyng wes maid the said Dauid act of admissioun and continewance thairof in his office is of ane latter dait, and thairefter being lauchfullie warnit xl dayis precedand the thrid day of Maii anno 1571, and desyrit interloquutour thairupone.

Spulye.

The said day the interloquutour findis that the baillies may sit apone spulye and wrang committit amangnis nychtbouris within thair selffis as weill as the scheref principale may within the schyre.

14 *January* 1571.

Johne Kirkwood.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to put Johne Kirkwod of the tovne, and gif he dissobeyis to set ane birnyng irne on his cheik and banis him the tovne for euer.

Custum to be ropit.

The inqueist ordanis the custum to be ropit be opping proclamatioun on Tuesday the mercat.

1 *February* 1571.

Power of inqueist to roup the custum.

The quhilk day, comperit Johne Dikesone, takkisman of the burraige custum of Peblis set to him be the baillies counsale and maist part of the communite for the tyme, quhilk tak as yit is nocht expirit, and als allegit that the inqueist quha gaf command to roip and proclame the same hes na jurisdictioun nor power thairof, bot alanerlie all inqueistis to pas apone seruing of brevis gif ony war, and as tuiching custumis milnis and hillis and all commoun effaris auch to be ropit and set be avise of the provest baillies and counsale conforme to the ordour of this tovne to the space of xl yeris bygane or thairby, and to verify the said allegeance he producit my lord provest hand writt that he never consentit, and siclike that na counsale is chosing quhairthrouch na power thair is to sechude nor put him thairfra as is allegit.

The said day Johne Dikesone producit his tak of the said custum red in jugement, in the quhilk tak thair wes certane dayis thairof to ryn, viz., four dayis and that he aucht to be warnit be provest baillies and counsale and ordour of thame be quham he had the said tak of before or he removit.

Making of freemen.

The said day, Johne Dikesone comperit, anc of the counsale for the tyme, and allegit thair is ane act maid be the provest baillies and counsale

that na freman suld be maid in na tymes cuming vnto the tyme thai maid residence within the tovne yere and day, quhairthrouch thair qualities and conditionis mycht be knawing, and siclike nocht to be admittit afore compositioun be maid be the provest baillies and counsale for the tyme, and gif the baillies will breck the samin that it suld nocht pervert the ordour in this tyme, and desyris the names of the interloquutour gif thai pervert the said ordour. Making of freemen.

6 *February* 1571.

The burro court of Peblis, halding in the tolbuth of that ilk, be James Wilsone and William Dikesone baillies, set for commoun effaris, and specialie for the setting of the custum, the vj day of Februare anno 1571, the suttis callit, the court affirmit, the absentis in ane amerciament; Johne Mathosone, dempstare; Adam Gilleis, Patrik Williamsone, officiaris; etc.

Assisa:—Thomas Hesilhope merchand, Patrik Newtoun, Johne Horsbruk mercheand, the lard of Henderstoun, Patrik Vache, Johne Mosman, Alexander Gowane, Stene Robesone, William Lowys, Andro Frank, James Robesone, Patrik Lowys, George Horsbruk.

Johne Dikesone, takkisman of the custum, baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes chosing this inqueist abone writting as newtrale and vnsuspect persones be baith partiis to tak ordour anentis the roping and setting of the custum for the commoun weill to maist hieast availl, and thairupone the baillies requirit instrument. The custom roping.

The haill inqueist all in ane voce, except Andro Frank, fyndis it necessare that the custum be ropit to the maist availl for the commoun weill, conforme to the actis maid thairupone of before, and thai that will gif maist thairfore to be hard and thair tak to begyn on Candilmes ewin, viz., the first day of Februare.

The haill inqueist ordanis the baillies to sycht thair evidentis infeftementis and rentalis of the small benefices within the burgh of Peblis, and beand awisit thairwith to gif maister Thomas Cranstoun minister and maister Andro Cranstoun his sone ane resolut ansuer of thair billis tuiching thair stipendis. Minister and scoilemaister.

The baillies counsale and communte of the burgh of Peblis, beand convenit counsalie togidder for to rope thair custum to the availl and maist The setting of the custum.

The setting of the custum.

hieast price for the commoun weill, hes all in ane voce set the said custum to Mertyn Hay, burges of Peblis, for ane yere, enterand thairto at the first day of Februare, and to brook and jois the same peceabillie and lift all and sindry small custumis and proffittis pertenand thairto, and sall pay thairfore fourty five merkis gude and vsuale money of Scotland . . . . to the baillies of Peblis to pay the chakkare with; and als the said Mertyn sall vphald the metlummais, viz., firlottis, pekkis and wey balkis sufficientlie and deliuer thame sufficient at the ische of the said yere tak.

Cranstoun.

Maister Andro Cranstoun tuk instrument in cace he get nocht ane resolute ansuer betuix this and the nixt court he dischargit him of the seruis of the scoill.

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Acknowledgment of the King as soverein.

The quhilk day, the baillie convenit the haill inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, and publist and red oppinglie in jugement our Souerane Lord his Regent graces and lordis of secreit counsale, akknawlegeing the King as our Souerane onlie, his regent lieutennent and dewtifull subiectis, conforme to the contentis of his graces act, of the quhilk the tennour followis: Apud Leyth penultimo Februarii anno Domini j^{m}v^{c}lxxj^{o}. The quhilk day, in presens of my lord regent grace and lordis of secreit counsale, comperit Johne Dikesone of Winkestoun, William Dikesone his brother, baillie of the toun of Peblis, Adam Bell, Johne Wod and Thomas Hesilhope burgessis thairof, for thame selffis and in name and behalf of the remanent inhabitantis of the samin, for quham thai ar presentlie content and takis in hand to ansuer for, vpone the obseruatioun of the conditionis following, that is to say that thai euery ane of thame sall acknawlege as thai do presentlie the kingis Maiestie for thair onlie Souerane, that thai sall serue and obey his hienes his regent and authorite as becummis dewtifull subjectis, and siclike that thai sall nocht resset supple nor intercommoun with Thomas Ker sumtyme of Pharnyhirst knycht, Thomas Ker sumtyme of Caveris, James Ormistoun sumtyme of that ilk, maister Johne Moscrope aduocat, or ony vtheris declarit tratouris and notorious rebellis aganis our said Souerane Lord and his authorite, bot sall ryis assist and serue his hienes or lieutennentis havand his Maiesties authorite in the furthsetting thairof aganis al withstandaris of the same. The quhilk to do

the persones abone writting comperand, takand the burding vpone thame for thame selffis and vtheris that thai haif promysit for as said is, hes faythfullie bund oblist and sworne thame selffis ay thai will ansuer to God, and vnder the pane of periurie defamatioun and tinsall of perpetuale estimatioun and credit, and in eace thai do in the contrare to be comptit faithles manesworne and defamit for euer and sall never haif place to stand in jugement or to beir office and witnes, bot to be haldand as tratouris and infidelis perpetualie. Attour my lord regentis grace and counsale ordanis and commandis the forsaidis persones comperand as said is to communicat thir conditiones to the remanent inhabitantis of the said burgh of Peblis, and to tak the like aith of thame for obseruatioun of the samin, and in cace ony mak refuis that it be reportit agane to his grace and counsale that ordour may be takin with thame as appertenis. Extractum de libro actorum secreti consilii supremi D. N. Regis per me Alexandrum Hay deputatum clerici eiusdem, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. Sic subscribitur: Alexander Hay. Of the productioun publissing and reding of the samin the baillies desyrit the samin inhabitantis of the said burgh to obtemper and obey the said writting, conforme to the contentis thairof, quha all in ane voce maid thair aithis to fulfill the samin as said is, and in signe and taking of thair said obedience and acknawleging of our Souerane his graces regent and authorite as dewtifull subiectis, the saidis baillies and inhabitantis hes subscriuit the samin in maner following day yere and place foirsaidis. Sic subscribitur. Acknowledgment of the King as sovereign.

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The inqueist ordanis the prebendariis to produce thair giftis of thair prebendis betuix this and the nixt court. Prebendariis.

Item, ordanis the baillies to write to my lord for the key of the commoun kist quhilk he hes in keping, and haif his ansuer thairupone, that the commoun buikis and vtheris evidentis may be sycht it. Commoun kist.

Item, ordanis the baillies to pvnis all regratouris conforme to the auld actis maid thairupone of before, vtherwayis thai will nocht cum apone inqueist or assise. Regratouris.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to elect ane counsale to deceme apone all actiones concernyng commoun effaris, and thairefter Adam Dik to mak Counsale.

Counsale. his bill and gif into the provest and counsale anentis that part of land that he desyris in fewferme in Sanct Michaell wynde.

The kirk. Item, the inqueist ordanis the baillies to assist the ordinances of the kirk and actis of parliament anentis the pvnisment of excommunicat persones.

Scoilmaister. Item, ordanis Dauid Creichtoun, scoilmaister for the tyme, to be payit his fiall safar as he maid seruis vndischargit, compt and rakkynning beand first maid of his ressait.

Pulder and leid. Item, ordanis Andro Frank to mak compt and rakkynning of the pulder and leid that he ressauit and thairefter to tak ordour thairwith.

Minister. The inqueist ordanis the minister, Mr Thomas Cranstoun, to vse his assignatioun maid to him be the collectour anentis his stipend.

31 *March* 1572.

Watch, quarter-masters. The baillies, with avise of ane certane honest men, convenit for the commoun welth of the tovne, statutis and ordanis that the haill half tovne walk nychtle, begynnand at nyne houris at evin, and remane quhill v houris on the morne, to that effect the swische sall strike at thair entres and at thair departing, having thir viij men to be quarter maisteris, viz., Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesone, James Gowane younger, James Hoppringill; for the vther quarter, Mertyn Hay, Johne Wychtman, William Bell, George Horsbruk; for the vther quarter, Patrik Vache, Thomas Hesilhope, James Tuedy, Johne Scot; and for the last quarter, Hectour Cranstoun, Thomas Tuedy, Johne Horsbruk, Adam Dikesone; quha sall tak attendance to the said wauchis euirilk nycht, baith out and in, that thai do thair diligence as thai will ansuer first to God, the King and commoun welth of the tovne. Provyding that quhen ane fray occurris and warnyng maid be the wauche euery man without exceptioun of persones salbe reddy apone the Hie Gait with his armour ather at the stryking of the swysche or ringing of the commoun bell incontinent, vnder the pane of ten li. the first falt, the secund falt xx li., the thrid falt ; and for obseruing of this ordour in tymes cuming the swische to strike at the Eist Port and the bell to ring at the West Port, and the panis to be vpliftit be the baillies incontinent efter the falt, and in cace thai failye the

Frayis.

baillies to pay the pane of the falt of thair awne gudis; provyding alwayis that the out wauchis salbe ordourit be appoyntement of the quarter maisteris and gif thai be found necligent to be pvnist at the baillies sycht. Frayis.

Siclike, it is statute and ordanit that the haill inhabitantis of the said [toun] euery ane to big thair awne heid-rovme betuix the Tolbuth to Peblis brig and sua about the south syde of the tovne to the Eist Werk, the haill communite to help to big it with dry stanis sasone and safare as is within thame selffis, and quhair superabundance of stanis is to help vtheris thairwith that mistaris, and this to be done within viij nychtis, and quha failyeis heirintill to pay xl s. of pane, provyding alwayis that all the inhabitantis betuix the Tolbuith and the Eist Port transport the dykis within the wall to the work to be layit in dyke and wall that the interprisaris of the work may big the sanin and clois the port as efferis. The dikis.

And siclike ordanis Johne Wychtman, accumpanit with thre vtheris nychtbouris as the baillies and honest men sall think expedient, with the tovne commissioun, to pas to Leith and to gif in ane bill to my lord regent grace and counsale to lament our heirschippis as salbe geving in writting to thame. Heirschippis of the toun.

7 *April* 1572.

The baillies and communite ordanis to send tua honest men with thair commissioun to the regent grace and lordis of counsale to lament thair heirschippis and reiffis, and siclike to tak ordour quhow the pulder salbe payit and disponit. Ordanis the slatis of all the portis and Briggait wicket to be bandit with irne, and ordanis the Briggait port to be biggit vp and condampnit. Siclik, ordanis to provide Adam Hog to keip the gunnis in the Eist Port. James Kid to vse the swische. Item, to caus mak the crukkis to the port in the new wall. Siclik ordanis to sycht the landis of Caidmuir newlie rewin furth on Hundelishope syde and thairefter to despone as thai think expedient. Commoun effairis.

18 *April* 1572.

The baillies and honest men of the tovne beand present for the tyme ordanis to elect iiij or viij young men to poynd for the absence and dis- Defence of the toun.

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sobedience of the wauche as quarter maisteris havand power thairof without partialite to poynd viij s. vnforgeving, the ane half thairof to drink, the vther to the commoun welth to be applyit. Ordanis to tak ordour with Johne Ra in the stepill. Ordanis to put ane gunner to the Eist Werk to furnis pulder to the gunnis.

Scoilmaister.

The electing of the scoilmaister to the counsale.

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And the quarter maister is to caus compell poynd and destrenye all thame quha ar nocht bent for the defence of the tovne, baith in body and gudis, wappynis fortalices and dykis; and to caus Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder set fordwart the walling of the tovne with expeditioun, and that all the inhabitantis within the burgh do as thai ar oblist to bring in thair carechis of lyme restand bygane and to cum for furthsetting of the samin. Item, to caus the Briggat Port to be biggit vp and condampnit. . . . And caus the interprisaris of the werk to be ansnerit thairof conforme to the indentis maid thairupone.

Lord provest.

Siclike, ordanis the baillies and communite to write to my lord provest of all effairis concernyng commoun welth, conforme to the actis maid of before be the ordinances and deliuerances of diuers inqueistis and haill communite, to cum and assist ws as our superiour and ourisman incontinent, with certificatioun and his lordschip cum nocht thai will do the nixt best for the commoun welth of the tovne and discharge him of ony office in tymes cuming, and to cheis ane counsale on Weddynisday nixt to cum without ony contineuatioun.

Carying victuals to Dumfreis.

The names of the travellaris that is admittit be the provest and baillies to cary victualis to Drumfreis as faithfull trew men: Johne Glendunnyng, Symon Glendunning, Johne Wilsone, Thomas Mvirman; Johne Moffet, James Moffet, sones of the hous of Grantoun; William Moffet, Thomas Moffet.

30 *April* 1572.

Venlaw. Town wall.

The inqueist ordanis the Venlaw to be let in gerssowmes to the maist availl for this present yere, becaus thai applyit thair haill commoun gudis to the walling of the tovne, and to hald all bestiall thairof and keip the samin for all gudis quhill it be sett in sowmes vnder the pane of viij s.

The inqueist ordanis that na wautsche pas to ony part fra the setting thairof to the scaling of the samin bot as the quarter maisteris commandis, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeving; and that nane pas to drink in tyme of watsching, vnder the pane forsaid, and the oistlare that sellis to ony of the wautsche ony drink sall pay viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving. Wautsche.

And that na crelis be vsit in the milnis the tyme of smoltis, vnder the pane of viij s. vnlaw and cutting of the creill set. Smoltis.

Ordanis to discharge ony meill to be sald in Innerlethane in tymes cuming, except it be to fremen, by the mercat day of the burgh of Peblis, vnder the pane of eschaeting of the samin. Innerlethane. Meill.

10 *May* 1572.

William Kello, burges of Peblis, is becumit causcioun and souerte to deliuer the pavaleoun of the burgh of Peblis, and all necessariis pertenand thairto, within the said burgh agane in the commoun hous thairof, quhilk my lord provest borrowit to the perambuling of his landis of Gladmur, Vpstoun and Crabrovne, within xv dayis nixt thairefter, vnder the pane of fourty pundis; and the said provest bunding for the said William Kello releif, before thir witnes: William Lawder and Sir Johne Allane notare publict. Pailyeonn.

19 *May* 1572.

Andro Frank, factour and prebendare of Sanct Laurence altar situate within the college kirk of Sanct Andro in Peblis, dimittit the samin simpliciter in the provest baillies counsale and communite handis of the burgh of Peblis as vndouttit patrones thairof, in fauouris of maister Andro Cranstoun, quha ressauit the said maister Andro thairto to lift vp the fruttis and annuell rentis of the samin salang as the said maister Andro maid residence for instructioun of the youth. Cranstoun, schoolmaster.

The vesying of the wappynnis: Johne Wychtman, younger, armit; Johne Edmond, ane speir, 1 sweird; James Cokkare, 1 lance, stauf; Johne Lawsone, 1 schort speir; Dennys Bell; Johne Schankis, 1 speir, bonet, stauf; Andro Ewmond, 1 speir, bonet, stauf; Johne Geddes, 1 speir, bonet, stauf, sword; Johne Stirling, 1 speir, 1 stauf; Peter Scheill, 1 speir, 1 stauf: Arthure Ecfurd, ane stauf, sword; William Ewmond, 1 speir; Thomas Vesying of the wappynnis.

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Ewmond, 1 sweird; Johne Wiltoun, 1 bow, bag, speir; James Thorbrand, ii speris, ii stauffis, bonet, sword; William Kelle, 1 speir, stauf, bonet, sword; Johne Wyle, 1 speir, sword; Gilbert Andersone, 1 brokin speir, stauf; Johne Wilsone, 1 speir, stauf; Thomas, 1 speir, tua stauffis, 1 bonet, ij swordis; Thomas Portus, ii stauffis, bonet, sword.

Peblis tovne: Johne Wilsone 1 stauf, sword; Johne Smyth, 1 speir, 1 sword; Andro Ra; Patrik Gowane, speir, sword, bonet; Eduard Johnsone; Johne Portus elder, sword; William Johnsone, 1 stauf; Johne Portus, 1 speir; Dutho Edmond; Johne Watsone younger, 1 stauf; Patrik Dikesone, armit; Robert Lidderdaill, 1 stauf; James Gowane, 1 speir; William Peblis, armit; Thomas Marchell, armit; Eduard Hendersone, speir, sword; Thomas Lawder, armit; Robert Scot, speir, lance; Nimane Portus, tua stauffis; James Gowane, armit; Johne Bullo, ii speris, ii stauffis, sword; Johne Stensone, speir; James Hoppringill, armit; Johne Kirwod, 1 speir, sword, bonet; Johne Mosman, armit; Johne Smeith, 1 speir; Johne Stensone, stauf, bonet; Adam Bell, armit; Mertyn Hay, armit; Johne Wychtman, armit; James Naper; Patrik Lowyis, armit; Thomas Johnstoun, armit; William Bell, armit; George Horsbruk, armit; Robert Andersone, i speir; Johne Lythquo, speir, stauf, bonet; William Lillay; Adam Cauerhill, 1 speir; William Tempill; Johne Cheisholme, 1 speir, bo, sword; Matho Bell, 1 speir, bonet; James Portus, Robert Grahame, Robert Ros; Robert Foster, 1 speir, bonet, sword; James Tueddaill, 1 speir, bonet, sword; Johne Dunlop, 1 stauf; Thomas Hesilhope, ii speris, stauf, bonet, sword; James Threipland, 1 spere; James Wilsone, armit; Johne Wod, armit; William Wilsone, 1 speir, ii stauffis, bonet, sword; Johne Brady, stauf, bonet, sword; William Cheisholme, speir, stauf, bonet, sword; Thomas Tueddaill, ii stauffis, bonet; Thomas Bennet; Robert Thomsone, stauf, sword; Johne Makke, 1 speir, stauff, bonet; Gilbert Cheisholme, speir, sword, bonet; Andro Cheisholme, speir, stauft, sword, bow; Willie Lowys, armit; Patrik Vache, armit; Thomas Hesilhope, armit; Thomas Craufurd; James Portus, stauf, bonet, sword; Johne Robesone, armit; William Dikesone, armit; Andro Alexander, 1 gowne; James Atzin; Thomas Tueiddaill, 1 speir, bonet; Johne Stensone, 1 speir, hakbut, bonet, sword; Johnne Bard, 1 speir, sword; Gilbert Smyth, 1 bonet, sword; Thomas Dikesone; Arche Patersone, 1 speir, stauf, sword; Thomas Lowys, 1 stauf, sword; Andro Wychtman, armit; James Tuedy, armit; Gilbert Tuedy, armit;

Andro Softlaw, 1 speir, sword; Gilbert Glaschen, 1 speir, sword; James Cauerhill, 1 speir; Thomas Cauerhill; Eduard Pount; Eduard Gowane, stauf; Thomas Craufurd, speir; James Dikesone, speir, bonet, sword; Johne Lawsone; Andro Bennet; Eduard Robesone, armit; Sir Johne Allane, armit; Mertyn Wilsone, armit; James Lowys; Johne Horsbruk, armit; Johne Horsbruk, speir, bonet, sword; Thomas Smeith, speir, bonet, sword; Patrik Newtoun, armit; Johne Scot; the lard of Winkestoun elder; the lard of Winkestoun younger, armit; Adam Hog, stauf, sword; Johne Lowys, speir, bonet; Gawin Charteris, stauf, gun, sword; Hector Cranstoun; James Cokburne; Dauid Robesone, ane ax; James Robesone, armit; Johne Robesone, 1 stauf; Dauid Robesone younger, 1 speir; Johne Ecfurd, 1 speir, bonet, sword, iii stauffis; Dauid Ecfurd, 1 bow, hand ax, iii forkis; Alexander Fell, stauff; Johne Fresall, armit; Arthure Johnkesone, speir, bonet, sword; Dutho Paterson, 1 bow; William Litill, 1 stauf, 1 fork; Johne Patersone, 1 speir, bonet, sword; Matho Patersone, speir, lance, fork; James Maitland, 1 fork; William Richartsoun, stauf, sword, buklar; Patrik Williamsone; Johne Houstoun; Johne Phillip, 1 speir; Thomas Thomsone; Johne Haldane; Patrik Murro, speir, stauf; Thomas Dikesone, speir, bonet; William Fairle, stauf; Stene Greif; Johne Dikesone; Joke Diksone; Alexander Mathosone; Laurence Craufurd, 1 speir, stauf; Thomas Tuedy, armit; William Dikesone; Johne Robyn, speir; James Dowthell, ii bowis; Johne Douthell, stauf; James Tuedy. Vesying of the wappynnis.

The counsale ordanis the brekaris of the xl li. taxt, diuisit for the commone effaris and welth of the tovne, to be augmentit to the thrid peny euirilk persone ellis brokin and mak thre scor poundis thairof. Taxt.

Ordanis euery man to haif ane sufficient speir that may by thame, and to note thame that is indigent and may nocht by to support thame be the tovne. Speris.

Item, the counsale ordanis Robert Thomsone, tavernour, and his sone, ane in absence of ane vther, to vse the stryking of the swische nychtlie to the wauche and in the mornyng at skaling of the watsche, and for that caus to be dischargit of his walking, and to haif of feall yerelie be the baillies to be collectit at Sanct Stevne day with the officiaris feyis, and to tak his aventuris by as ane commoun seruand and minstrale, and thairupone the said Robert askit instrument and protestit for the draucht of this ordinance. Thomsoun, swische.

Ordanis the haill inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, baith young and Inhabitants to be in reddynes.

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auld that dow lift ane sting or wapping, to be in ane reddynes, quhen the swische strykis or commoun bell jowis, to pas with thair baillies quhair thai pleis, for the commoun welth of the tovne, and that in thair best and maist honest substantious maner.

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Commoun effairis. Thevis and revaris.

The said day, James Wilsone baillie, in absence of William Dikesone his college, causit convene the haill nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis be thair officiaris to treit vpone commoun effaris, and speciale to avoid this inconvenient now laitlie falling betuix the burgh of Peblis and the bordouris thevis and revaris, and haif tane four sworne men as speciale to be principall chargearis and commandaris of the inhabitantis vtouth the tovne in fra and following and to assist within the burgh with the maiestratis for pvnisment of dissobeyaris, and becaus the said baillie wes vnabill of his awne persone offerit to ony abill man that wald accept his office he wald gif largelie of his awne geir, viz., ane kow with ane followare, his baillie fee and vtheris accidentis that appertenit to his office, and nane wald accept his office of his hand nochtwithstanding the offer foirsaid, and than incontinent thairefter the said baillie, with avise of the nychtbouris present for the tyme ordanit the saidis nychtbouris and inhabitantis of the said burgh of Peblis, to convene in the tolbutht thairof on Weddynnisday nixtocum be ix houris forro novne, vnder the pane of viij s. vnforgeing, and protestit gif ony inconvenient happynnit to fall in the meyntyme that he war blameles thairof becaus he culd haif na obedience of the saidis nychtbouris.

28 *May* 1572.

Counsale.

The counsale sworne for this present yere to Michaelmes nixtocum :—My lord provest ; James Wilsone, William Dikesone, baillies ; Johne Horsbruik, Patrik Newtoun, Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesone, Adam Bell, George Horsbruk, Patrik Vache, Thomas Hesilhope merchand, James Tuedy, Johne Dikesone, Johne Hay, Andro Frank, William Lowys. Subscriuit be my lord provest and baillies; and thir persones vnderwritting chosing to augment the nowmer for forthir setting furth of commone welth as efter followis :—James Hoppringill, Thomas Johnstoun, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, Mertyn Hay, William Bell, Johne Wychtman, Patrik Gowane.

The counsale abone writting ordanis the wauche to stand as it wes of befoir till my lord incuming in the cuntre, and thairefter to tak ordour thairof as the counsale thinkis expedient, and ordanis ane blynd man to be suttit and quhat ressonabill compositioun thai mak to releif the sutour thairof; and ordanis Johne Hay, James Hoppringill, Johne Horsbruk, Patrik Vache, Gilbert Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy to sut diligently the said blind man. Wauche. Blind man

Ordanis the Eist Werk to be kepit and the artailyerie to be schot be Adam Hog, and to be oursene be Patrik Newtoun, quhilk Patrik sall distribute the pulder as necessite occurris. Ordanis Johne Portus to be conducit to walk nychtlie on the Eist Wark, enterand at ix houris at ewin quhill thre houris in the mornyng quhill the nycht grow langar, and thairefter Johne Wilsone to pas to the hous heid and till remain quhill vij houris in the mornyng; and that the Eist Port be nocht opynnit quhill v houris in the mornyng, and steik the samin at ix houris at ewin quhill the nycht grow langare; and that gunnaris that may nocht furnys thameself pulder to haif sum pairt of the townis expensis in tyme of frayis and neid. Artailyerie, portis.

The brekaris of the iij^{xx} li. taxt for commoun effaris:—Patrik Gowane, Patrik Newtoun, Mertyn Hay, Johne Wychtman, Patrik Vache, James Tuedy, Thomas Tuedy, Arthure Jonkesone, Thomas Patersone, William Kelle. Taxt.

The vesyaris of the wappynnis and armour of the burgh of Peblis as efter followis:—James Hoppringill, Alexander Gowane, Gilbert Tuedy, Patrik Dikesone, Johne Horsbruk, Adam Bell, Andro Frank, Johne Hay. Wappynnis and armour.

Item, it is statut and ordanit that na man nor bestiall, sic as scheip hors swyne nolt, be found within vtheris yardis in tymes cuming, and to clois vp thair yaird futtis within the closis to keip the samin, vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving. Yardis.

Item, ordanis all the heid dykis betuix Sanct Michaell Wynde and Peblis brig to be sufficientlie biggit with all diligence betuix this and Sonday nixtocum, vnder the pane of viij s. Dykis.

Item, ordanis ane new port to be biggit to the new wall of the reddyest tymber of the kirk tymmer, and to fall to wirk the morne, and ordanis Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lawder to fall to the bigging of the werk the morn and to begyn quhair thai left. New port. Wall.

9 *June* 1572.

Caidmuir. Ordanis the merchis of Caidmuir to be ridding, ald vsit and wont, efter novne, and all inhabitantis within the said burgh to be reddy to pas with the provest and baillies at the stryking of the swische efter novne, ilk persone vnder the pane of viij s. of vnlaw vnforgeving.

Vagabundis. Ordanis the provest and baillies to caus serce and seik all vagabundis that hantis or resortis inwith the liberte of burgh that thai may be notit and dischargit the tovne in all tymes cuming.

Trubling the court. The provest baillies and thair assessouris present for the tyme fyndis that ather Stene Robesone and James Hoppringill in ane wrang in trubling of the court the fourt day of Junii instant, and for that caus the saidis persones respectiue referris thame in the provest and baillies will for amendement to be maid at thair plesour.

19 *June* 1572.

The counsale. The ordinances of the counsale, viz., James Wilsone, William Dikesone, baillies; Thomas Johnstoun, Patrik Newtoun, James Tuedy, Johne Hay, Patrik Vache, Gilbert Tuedy, James Hoppringill, William Lowys, Thomas Tuedy, George Horsbruk, Alexander Gowane, Patrik Dikesoun, Patrik Gowane.

The wall and lyme. The counsale ordanis Sir Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder to enter to the wark the morne, and to big safare as lyme is reddy or may be performit, and to wirk continewalie quhill lyme may be had, and failyene of lyme to lay dry werk in all places necessar quhair the counsale thinkis maist expedient and maist danger, and ordanis all that ar addettit in payment of carechis of lyme to the wirk, baith Auld Towne and vtheris, to send hors that hes thame or than fe hors on thair expensis to bring in thair carache to the werk as thai salbe chargit be the officiaris, or than gif siluer to the interprisaris for ilk carache as the interprisaris of the werk payis thame self to the lyme men, viz., for ilk careche thre s., vnder the pane of dowble vnlaw by the price of the lyme that hes nocht brocht in thair careche the first yere to the werk.

The watsche, thre quarteris. Item, ordanis the tovne to be dividit in thre quarteris begynnand first at Johne Ecfurd in North-gait to Patrik Dikesone, fra Patrik Dikesone to Wille Ecfurd, fra Wille Ecfurd to Johne Ecfurd; and to enter to the day

wauche at v houris in the mornyng and in the middis of the day to lok the portis be the kepare thairof in tyme of dyner, or ellis to put ane kepare to the port, and he that kepis the port that day salbe dischargit of the nycht wautsche, and quha failyeis sall pay dowble vnlaw; and gif thai sie ony men rydand or gangand to the tovne, to steik the portis vnto the tyme it be knawin quhat thai ar, quhidder freindis or fayis, and quhair thai luge and takkis harbery the maister of the hous to cum to the baillies and fynd souerte that thai salbe honest and faithfull men. The watsche, thre quarteris.

And siclike ordanis the cornes on Caidmuir that is wranguslie sawin to be eting or thai be schorne quhen the provest and baillies makkis aduertisment be the stryking of the swische or ringing of the commoun bell, vnder the pane of dowble wnlaw vnforgeving. Caidmuir.

Item, ordanis Adam Hog and Gawin Charteris to gang to the Eist Port nychtlie and remane thair, enterand at nyne houris and to remane quhill five houris in the mornyng, and Hectour Cranstoun and Dauid Ecfurd to enter to Johne Hay chalmer and remane as said is, and Patrik Lowys and Andro Frank to pas and keip the stepill as said is, vnder the panes foirsaid. East Port and stepill.

2 *July* 1572.

William Dikesone of Winkestoun, takkand the burding in and vpone him for himself his kin freindis sones barnes assistaris and parttakkaris, bindis thame in presens of my lord Yester provest and baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis, byndis thame nouthir to molest cummer perturbe [or] to mak ony inquietatioun ony maner of way to ony persone or persones to invaid thame or ony of thame in tymes cuming, outhir in thair persones or gudis bot as law requiris. And siclike the baillies and communite bindis thame in like maner that thai nor nane of thame sall molest perturbe truble nor cummer the said lard of Winkeston nor his freindis foirsaidis in body or gudis in all caussis and caces concernyng thair commoun welth, but ilk ane assist vtheris as kyndlie and hartlie nychtbouris vnder the pane of periurie. Winkstoun and his nychtbouris.

30 *August* 1572.

My lord provest baillies counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis ordanis the first taxt gadderit to mak compt of the desponyng thairof, and Taxt.

Taxt. the vther taxt to be collectit and gadderit quhilk wes ordanit for crukkis of the port and bandis, for pulder, blynd man and watschis and vtheris commoun effaris, the tane half thairof on Monunday nixtocum and to be deliuerit to Patrik Newtoun and the vther half thairof within viij day, and the said Patrik to despone the samin be avise of the provest baillies counsale and communite.

Conventioun. Chakkare. And ordanis ane of the baillies, with ane honest man and nychtbour, pas to Striveling to the conventioun and to pay the chakkare.

Port. Ordanis the crukkis of the port to be payit to James Wilsone, baillie, and his vtheris small comptis that he hes deburset sen he wes baillie.

Common kist. My lord confessis to deliuer the key of the commoun kist quhilk he hes in keping to the baillies and counsale and communite.

Watsche. Item, ordanis thame that is vtouth the new north port that will nocht obey to watsche inwith the tovne to pas to the vtmost north port ilk nycht thair cours about and walk thair as the rest of the tovne dois nychtlie, kepand the hour of thair entre and departing, vnder the pane of x s. vnforgeving; and als ordanis ane watsche to be nychtlie on the eist port on the tovne expensis.

6 *October* 1572.

Bailies. The said day, Alexander Gowane and Johne Horsbruk wes electit baillies, sworne and admittit. The said day Johne Fraser messinger producit our Souerane Lord letteres that na man suld be electit in office except thame that wes innocent of kirk graith, commoun geir and actuale merchandice, alanerlie.

Provest and clerk. The said [day] William lord Hay of Yester wes electit and chosing provest for ane yere alanerlie; and Sir Johne Allane ratifiit clerk in his office thairof, conforme to his gift vnder the tovne commoun seill; and thairupone the said persones askit instrument.

16 *October* 1572.

Watch. The haill inqueist ordanis ane quarter of the maist honest men of the tovne walk nychtlie, and the baillies to ressaue the foir watsche, and thai to deput ane honest man nychtlie to direct the hind wauche, and to remane quhill the hinder watsche be on fut and enter, and ane of the hind watsche

to attend quhill the sone ryse on the morne, and thre of ilk quarter to enter in the glomyng and to remane quhill the nycht watsche be set. And ordanis the wobstaris to keip thair watsche siclik quarterlie as afore. And thame that is vtouth the new north port to walk. Watch. Wobstartis. North port.

Ordanis the compt of the taxt to be maid on Saturday nixtocum, and the rest that is nocht payit to be poyndit for. Taxt.

Ordanis the knok to be rewillit in auld maner vsit and wont, and to gar hir stryke nychtlie, and to ring coverfyre xij houris and sax houris vsit and wont. Knok.

Ordanis the watsche nychtlie to be on the eist port ; and the key of the eist port to be geving in keping to Alexander Gowane baillie, the key of the north port to Johne Fresall to be kepit, the key of the wikket to Johne Mathosone ; and to steik the portis with day lycht and opping thame on the morne at day lycht alsweill the portis as wickettis. Keys of ports.

Ordanis all that lepis the wall to be pvnist be warding of thair bodyis in irnes xxiiij houris the first falt, the secund falt banissing of the tovne, the thrid falt deid, etc. Leparis of the wall.

Ordanis all berne durris that standis with the wall to be ramforcit and condampnit vnder the pane of viij s. als oft as thai failye. Berne durris.

Continewis the scoilmaister chesing to the haill counsale. Scoilmaister.

Ordanis the haill inhabitantis of the tovne of Peblis to convene at sevin houris at morne, ane of euirilk hous, with barrowis and mandis to beir stanis with to the wall rownd about to be heichtit with dry stane, begynnand at the eist port, ilk persone vnder the pane of ane vnlaw. The heichtyn of the wall.

Ordanis the palyeone to be brocht hame, and failyene thairof to poynd Wille Kelle thairfore. Palyeone.

The inqueist findis Gilbert Andersone and Johne Edmond ilk ane in ane wrang in trubling of the watsche in Youle last wes. Trubling the watsche.

The inqueist fyndis Makkyn in the wrang in trubling of the tovne and makkyn bargane with Johne Makke, and findis the said Makkin ane vagabund and ordanis him to be banist the tovne. A vagabund.

Besse Craufurd's sow.

The witnes of Besse Craufurd sow slaying : John Kirkwod solutus, of the age of xxviij yeris or thairby, sworne and admittit, deponis that he is innocent of the slauchter of the said sow and knawis nocht the stryking thairof. William Tempill, spousit; Arche Patersone, solutus ; William Andersone, solutus ; Niniane Portus, mariit ; and Johne Hendersone, solutus, [severally depone] with the said witnes in all thingis.

23 *October* 1572.

Trubblance.

The inqueist fyndis Jonet Patersone in the wrang for invading of Thomas Ewmond wif, casting stanis at hir beseging hir in hir awne hous, quhairthrouch scho is lyand in danger of hir life.

The inqueist findis baith James Lowys and Eduard Gowane in the wrang in trubling of the tovne, makkand provocatioun of wordis and ilk ane casting stanis till vtheris, and dome geving thairupone.

5 *November* 1572.

Stensone. Barbouris.

The juges refusis to sit apone Johne Stensone actioun persewit aganis Johne Fairle anentis the hurting of him and modifying of the expensis in curing of his hurt sustenit be him thairintill to the barbouris, and thairupone the said Johne askit instrument and protestit for remeid of law.

Prebendar of Rud and Haly Blude altars.

The said day, in the actioun and caus persewit be Johne Tuedy student, prebendar of the Rude aulter and Haily Blude situat within the college kirk of Sanct Andro the Apostle in Peblis, aganis thir persones respectiue vnder writting, heretouris and occupiaris of the landis vnder specifiit, makkand mentioun quhair the said Johne is lauchfulle providit to the prebendarie of the said Rude and Haly Blude, be vertu of the quhilk the landis annuell rentis dewiteis fewis fermes and emolimentis pertenyng to the said prebendarie pertenis to the said Johne Tuedy, and it is of verite that the said Johne hes bene in peciabill possessioun of the vptakin of the maist pairt of the dewiteis respectiue thairof sen the deceis of vmquhile Sir James Dauidsone his predecessour, quha decessit in the moneth of Februare anno 1568, and howbeit the annuellis rentis and dewiteis of the landis after following, pertenyng and occupiit be the persones efter specifiit, pertenis to the said Johne prebendare foirsaid, and his vmquhile predecessour Sir James

Dauidsone and vtheris his predecessouris of befor wes in peccabill possessioun thairof during thair lifetyme, viz., in peciable vptaking and lifting of vij s. of annuell rent yerelie furth of ane foir buth pertenand to Mertyn Craufurd lyand at the eist port at the north syde of the samin within the burgh of Peblis, furth of the commoun mihis or commoun gudis of the burgh of Peblis yerelie fourty s. of annualrent yerelie, furth of the lands of Dauid Dikesone in Cunye Nuke yerelie xiij s. iiij d. of annualrent, furth of the landis of Johne Andersone lyand on the est syde of the Northgait on the north syde of the new port xiiij s. iiij d. yerelie of annualrent, furth of the land of Sanct Peter and Paule vtouth the north port v s. of annuell rent yerelie, furth of the landis of vmquhile Michaell Smyth lyand in the Auld Tovne iij s. of annuell yerelie; item, the haill croce house at the eist port; furth of the landis of William Gledstanis now heretabillie pertenyng to Helene Robesone vj s. viij d. . . . . ane acre of land in Smeithfeild pertenand in patrimony to the said altare callit the Rude Acre; item, ane rude of land occupiit be vmquhile Johne Dikesone at the north port pertenand in patrimony to the said altare; item, ane acre of land lyand on the south syde of Sanct Andro Kirk pertenand in patrimony to the said altare; . . . . . [In the list are contained other twenty-five annualrents,—the whole, including those above detailed, amounting to £12, 4s. 2d., and a pound of wax.] The persones respectiue abone writting beand callit and convenit afore the provest and baillies of the burgh of Peblis to heir and se decretis be geving at the instance of the said Johne Tuedy, prebendare foirsaid, and the landis abone specifiit to be poyndit be thair officiaris for the byrun annuellis abone mentionat sen the deceis of the said vmquhile Sir James Dauidsone his predecessour, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tyme cuming, conforme to the desyre of the said Johne clame, and the foirsaidis persones comperand in jugement denyit the said clame, and syne beand admittit to the said Johne probatioun, sindry dayis being assignit for probatioun thairof, the said Johne sufficientlie provit the samin, as the actis and proceis deducit and led thairupone mair cleirlie proportis: Thairfore the saidis baillies being ryplie avisit with the saidis proces and depositiones of witnes foirsaidis decernit decretit and ordanit thair officiaris to pas poynd and distrenye the reddyest gudis and geir being vpone the ground of the saidis landis respectiue abone writting or ony part thairof and mak the said Johne Tuedy, prebendare foirsaid, payment of the saidis annuellis and dewiteis abone mentionat re-

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spectiue sen the deceis of the said vmquhile Sir James Dauidsone his predecessour restand awand vnpayit as is abone specifiit, and siclike yerelie and termelie in tymes cuming, conforme to the said Jchne prouisioun clame and rentale producit thairupone, and ordanit preceptis of poynding to be direct heirapone as efferis; and thairupone the said Johne Tuedy prebendare foirsaid askit instrument and protestit for the rolment of court on his expensis.

10 *November* 1572.

Warnyng of thevis.

The counsale ordanis Johne Wychtman to ansuer Johne Hog for his warnyng of the hoist thevis cuming about the tovne of Peblis in somer, xxx s.; and the rest of his taxt to be payit to the out watschis.

Flesche.

Item, that na flesche be blawin, vnder the panis contenit in the act of parliament.

Aittis.

That sufficient aittis be sauld na darrare nor xvj d. the pek, and that thai be sauld with custum met.

Lord provest.

The counsale ordanis the baillies, accumpanit with the counsale, pas to my lord provest at his nixt cuming to Nepeth quhow sone he cumis in the cuntre, to haif his vter mynde quhidder the tovne and inhabitantis thairof be in my lord assurance or nocht, and quhat his lordship will do to thame considering he is our superiour, and thairefter seik the nixt best, and to haif his ansuer thairupone.

New wall.

Ordanis to cast the erd fra the new wall rownd about the tovne at siclike as the heid yardis on Tuede Grene and Peblis Walter syde, and to lay dry stanis on the new werk as thai think expedient, vnder the pane of viij s.

6 *January* 1572.

Hary Thomson, reif of the tovne.

The baillies and counsale and communite of the burgh of Peblis hes inhibit Hary Thomsone in tymes cuming to be found within the liberte of the burgh of Peblis, becaus it wes notourlie knawin that he wes at the reif of the tovne of Peblis on the xxvij day of Merche yere of God foirsaid, and

in cace he be fund heirefter to be pvnist as accordis to ane commoun theif and revare. Hary Thomson, reif of the tovne.

16 *January* 1572.

The counsall ordanis the auld taxt to be poyndit for and gadderit in, and to pay the owtwautchis thairwith sa far as it will reik. Taxt.

And siclike ordanit ane of the baillies accumpanit with ane honest man pas done to Edinburgh with thair commissioun to the parliament, and thair expensis to be payit of the reddyest of thair commoun gudis as it beis gotting in. Parliament.

Siclike, the counsale constitutis Johne Allane and Thomas Lauder, interprisaris of the wall of the tovne, officiaris in thair awne caussis for the gaddering in of the multuris that the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis wes abstractit is abstractit or salbe abstractit fra the milnis in thair hurt sen thai first interprisit the said wirk vnto the ische of thair tak, and affirmis the auld actis of the multuris of the milnis maid of before. The multuris.

4 *February* 1572.

The inqueist ordanis the baillies to writt or ellis gang to my lord for the key of the commoun kist as of before, makkand certificatioun to him and his lordschip will nocht deliuer the said key thai will mak the kingis keyis, becaus thai haif greit mister of the saidis keyis to haif inspectioun of thair evidentis and commoun writtingnis inclusit in thair commoun kist that concernis commoun weill, and for inlaik of the saidis keyis can haif na inspectioun thairof. Provest, commoun kist.

The inqueist ordanis the watsche, ilk ane nychtlie to keip thair awne quarter as thai will ansuer on thair livis to the authorite and the tovne, and tua quarter maisteris to be chosing ou ilk quarter, and gif ony fray or skry risis to pas to thair quarter with thair quarter maisters quhill thai se quhar the fray cumis fra for debait of the tovne. Watsche.

Patrik Stensone protestit that the calling of Robert Brovne, tennent to my lord Yester, at the instance of Johne Horsbruk suld nocht be preiudiciale to my lord Yester his maister privelege. Lord Yester.

Custum. The custum of the burgh of Peblis, being ropit be thre sindry court dayis to the maist availl for the commoun weill, the samin is set be avise of the provest baillies counsale and communite to Stene Robesone burges of Peblis for ane yere nixt heirefter followyng, for the payment of fiftie five pundis gude and vsuale money of Scotland, the tane half thairof to be payit at Beltane nixtocum the vther half at Lammes to the chakker; and hes ressauit (*blank*) firlotis and (*blank*) pekkis and weyis and wey balkis and wechtis, and bindis and oblissis [him] to vphald the samin sufficientlie . . . . .

7 *February* 1572.

Wautsche. The maist pairt of the counsale ordanis all induellaris, houshaldaris within the burgh of Peblis, alsweill poore as rische, to walk nychtlie in tymes cuming as thai salbe chargit be the officiaris vnder the panes contenit in the actis maid of before, outhir the principale of the hous or thane ane sufficient man for thame, and na boyis nor lawdis to be admittit, and to walk quhair thair buthis is, and als ordanis that na drink be sauld to the wautsche be ony oistlaris in tymes cuming vnder the pane of viij s. vnlaw vnforgeving, and that na centralis remoif of the wautsche quhill vtheris cum and be enterit in thair places vnder the pane of viij s.

Yardis. Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that na sheip swyne nor vther bestiale be fund within the yardis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane of warding of the awnariis of the gudis in the tolbuth, and thair to remane quhill thai fynd causioun that all nychtbouris salbe skaithles in all tymes cuming, vnder the pane of xl s. vnforgeving and paying of the skaith to thame that is hurt the first falt, and als oft as thai be found in ony of the yardis the secund falt escheting of the gudis being apprehendit within ony of the saidis yardis.

Gunnis. Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that all thame that hes gunnis to haif thame at all tymes baith nycht and day in ane reddynes with sufficient pulder and bullettis.

Scoilmaister. Siclike, it is statut and ordanit that ane of the baillies, accumpanit with tua honest men officiare and clerk, pas throuch the tovne to the honest men thairof and tak thair hand write and promis quhat thai or ony of thame will gif benevolentle to ane qualifiit scoilmaister to mak dailie continewale

residence and await vpone the instructing and teching of the barneis and youth quhairby thai may incres in wisdome and knawlege for the common welth of the towne, and to mak ane register thairof to be yerelie payit to the said scoilmaister quhill thair commoun gudis be fre, or at the leist thai may haif als mekle common gudis as will satify the said scoilmaister, that it may conduce the said scoilmaister incontinent to be his yerelie feall, etc. Scoilmaister

Sielike, the counsale ordanis the baillies to caus by ane quarter of pulder and to pay it of the reddyest of the taxt or vtheris as it is gotting in. Pulder.

13 *February* 1572.

The counsale of the burgh of Peblis, all in ane mynde, ordanis to tak ane addres with the bordour men that thai may do thair besynes in all thingis without ony feir or truble in tymes cuming, provyding alwayis that the authorite licence be first obtenit heirto, and failyene thairof to seik the nixt best; and ordanis Johne Hay and Johne Wychtman pas to Edinburgh incontinent vpone Sonday nixtocum to my Lord Regent grace and obtene his graces licence and commissioun for seking of the said addres that the inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis incure na danger heirefter in cace thai tak addres with the saidis bordouraris, for eschewing of deidlie feiddis and cummeries in tymes cuming; and ordanis the said counsale ilkane be thameself to subscriue this present ordinance for the said Johne Hay and Johne Wychtman commissionariis for the said towne releif. Counsale. The bordouris.

The haill counsale referris all secreit actiones to the baillies with four secreit men of the counsale, viz., ane of ilk quarter to be electit be the saidis baillies, and quhat ordour thai tak concerning commoun weltht and addressing of the bordour for avoyding of cummeris to stand content thairwith and to appreif the samin, and quhat expensis the baillies debursis to ony fadis to releif thame thairof, and the counsale and the tovne to assist the samin in all partis. Secreit actiones.

18 *February* 1572.

The interloquutour findis that Johne Horsbruk suld haif forthir proceis aganis Robert Brovne in respect the pactioun wes maid within the burgh of Peblis, and als in respect that my lord Yester provest afore quham the Horsbruk.

Horsbruk. said actioun is intentit suld rather assist the said privelege nor dimember the samin.

Brovne. The lard of Romannos protestit in name and behalf of my lord Yester that his privelege be nocht hurt bot he may haif tyme and place to say aganes the interloquutour juges.

28 *February* 1572.

Evading incursiones of hevis. The counsale present for the tyme, for the evading of incursiones of thevis [ordanis] that thair be four out-wauthchis sit dailie, ane on the Wenlaw heid, ane vther on Hammiltoun heid, ane on Downe Knowe abone the park, the fourt on Carwowris Fald, and to enter on Monunday nixtocum at sax houris in the mornyng and to remane quhill the sone gang, to ilk quarter of the tovne ane wauthsche daylie quhill the ait and bear seid be sawin, and ordanis to steik the eist and north portis ilk Sonday in tyme of prayeris.

9 *April* 1573.

Textores and the tovne. The haill inqueist, anentis the failye allegit be the textouris and thair brethir of craft maid be Patrik Williamsone officiare, findis that the said Patrik hes maid na failye in respect of the baillie command geving to him to tak the poynd of the decane hand, allegeand thai haif confirmatioun vpoun thair liberteis, and thairfore ordanis thame to schaw thair said confirmatioun on Thursday the xvj of this instant afore the counsale, providing alwayis that thai be astrictit to kepe ordour in all besynes and commoun effaris as the rest of the tovne dois quhill the productioun of the said confirmatioun. And ordanis the quarter of the Auld Tovne few or mony to walk as the ordour of the tovne is takin in tymes cuming, ay and quhill vther ordour be takin thairintill.

Auld Tovne.

Palyeone. The inqueist ordanis the baillies to caus William Kelle to bring and restore the palyeone hame agane to the stepill, als haill and sufficient as it wes quhen he become souertie thairfore, within xv dayis, vnder the pane of payment of the sovme quhairapon he become souertie and causioun for the same.

16 *April* 1573.

The counsale ordanis the quarter of the tovne to walk nychtlie, the tane half thair of the fornycht and the vther half the hindnycht, ilk persone vnder the pane of ane vnlaw vnforgeving to enter at ix houris and till remane quhill ane efter midnycht, and the vther wautsche to be raisit or the first wautsche gang to thair bed, and in absence of the baillie Johne Horsbruk Patrik Williamsone to ressaue the wautsche, and the tovne to satify the said Patrik for his pane; and the wautsche of the Auld Tovne to do inlikemaner, and that becaus in respect thai promist to haif schawin thair confirmatioun this day conforme to the ordinance tane the last inquest, viz., the ix day of this instant and schew it nocht. Wautsche, textores.

Item, that na syde dykes round about the wall be biggit towart the said wall bot that thair be ane fre passage to the wautsche to walk nychtlie within the wallis without ony cummer stope or impediment; and that na scheip nolt nor hors be found, swyne nor ony vther bestiall, within the yardis in tymes cuming, vnder the pane contenit in the auld actis maid of before vnforgeving. Wallis, yardis.

Ordanis the Vanelaw to be ropit and set to the maist availl to thame that will gif maist for it, and in the meyn tyme that it be cryit waist seute and hanyng without ony pastour of bestiall to be pasturit thairupone quhill the samin be set, vnder the pane of ilk heid bestiale found thairupone iiij d. Vanlaw.

6 *October* 1578.

The burro and heid court of the burgh of Peblis haldin in the Tolbuith of the samyn, the vj day of October 1578, be William lord Hay of Yester, Johne Wichtman and James Hoppringle, the suttis callit, the court affirmit the absentis amerciat, Johne Stevinsone, Patrik Williamson officiaris and Johne Hay clerk. Heid court.

Electi pro balliuis fiendis:—Adame Moffete, Alexander Govane, Johne Wod, George Horsburgh, James Wilsoun, Patrik Waiche. Adam Moffete and Alexander Govane [having received thirty-three and thirty votes respectively are elected bailies] sworne and admittit. Bailies.

My lord provest gaif his ayth that he suld vse the office of provestrie for ane yeir trewlie, conforme to the burro lawis and actis of parliament. And Provest, clerk, officiaris.

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siclik Johne Hay clerk of court wes creat for ane yeir. And alsua Johne Stevinsoun and Patrik Watsoun wes creat officiaris for ane yeir.

Commoun caussis.

The court continewit to Wedinsday the viij day of this instant. My lord provest and baillies hes ordanit the counsale of the said burgh to convene in thair tolbuith, and that for aggrement of thair deidlie feid and vther commoun caussis.

Commoun gudis.

James Hoppringle and John Wichtman, ald baillies, offerit to my lord provest baillies and counsale being present to abyd compt and rakkyning of all commoun gudis intromettit be thame sen the acceptatioun of thair office, and quhat commoditie or office the provest baillies and counsale findis thame to haue ressauit or intromettit with that appertenit thame not of thair office that thai sall gif compt rakkynnyng and mak payment thairof presentlie at the command of my lord provest and counsale; and siclik Johne Wichtman than presentlie protestit that the baillies now electit suld haif na intromissioun with ony pairt of commoun gudis or geir in tym cuming nor yit of theyis thingis that thai wer reddy to reforme, bot the thesaurare of burgh to haue the intromissioun thairwith in all time cuming, and the baillies to haue onlie thair dewtie of office ald vsit and wont payit and na forthir, quhairof Johne Wichtman baillie in name of commoun weill desirit act.

8 *October* 1578.

Stent to be raised.

My lord provest, baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie, convenit the viij day of October 1578, in thair Tolbuith.

In presens of my lord provest baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie hes all in ane voce aggreit and conducendit that ane stent and taxatioun be gadderit of all and sindrie the inhabitantis of burgh, and that alsweill of the remen without burgh as within, the samyn stent to be tane for aggrement of thair deidlie feid of the town with the bordour, and that poyuding pas vpoun euery ane of the inhabitantis foirsaidis alsweill fremen outwith burgh as within incais of dissobeydiance or refuis be maid be ony of the saidis personis of thair pairt of the stent and taxatioun thai be brokin to, quhairof publicatioun salbe maid to thame and euery ane of thame for thair awin efter the breikin of the samyn, and thairof my lord provest baillies counsale and maist pairt of the communitie requirit act.

4 *March* 1605.

The quhilk day, my lord prouest the bailleis and counsall statutis and ordanis that nane within burgh carie ane suord heirefter within the burgh ruddis, vnder paine of wairding of thair personis, thairin to remane ay and quhill thay find cawtioun nocht [to] carie thame thairefter vnder the paine of fourtie pundis, *toties quoties*, and tinsell of thair fredome. And this act to be extendit aganis all within burgh except, for ane speciall caus and resonabill, thay procure licence befoir of the baillies that thay carie the same for feir of invasioun of gentillmen without burgh being for the tyme within. Carrying swords.

29 *May* 1605.

The quhilk day, becaus that the seiknes of pest, at the pleasour of God, enterit in the burgh, and that vpone the xxvj of Maii instant [*blank*] Dikisoun and hir dauchter deit in ane ludge and Janet Dikisounis sone deit lykwyis; and becaus that the clengeris ar cum ordanis thame to be putt in Robert Newtoun bous and the toun inactit for his skaith of the hous. Gewis [the quarter maisteris] power that the baillies hes within burgh. Item, ordanis that ilk quarter maister caus twa of ilk quarter waik. Item, dischargis all societie and that nane cum out of thair awin [houses]. Item, that all that is ony wayes seik that immediatlie thairefter reueill [the samyn] vnder the pane of deid. Pest.

30 *October* 1605.

Becaus that James Horsbruikis sone, being dischargit be my lord provest to gang to Leith and wald nocht obey be him and his hyrit men, thairfore ordanis him and thame to be wardit quhill thai pay xl s. to be imployit to commoun vs. Disobedience to the provost

Becaus of the complaint the deacoun aganis the craft becaus the haill craft disobeyit him, ordanis thame all to be dischargit work quhill the consall gewe thame autorite and tak ordour with thair disobedience, vnder the pane of ten pundis ilk falt. Disobedience to the deacon.

31 *October* 1606.

St Christopher's altar. The counsall convenit grantit the gift of Sanct Christophouris altare to William Dikisoun, for the space of sewin yeiris nixt heirefter, to interteny him at the scholes.

15 *August* 1608.

Flesche. Becaus that the burgh is nocht weill seruit with flesche, and that the mercat is onlie servit with ane few nwmber induellaris of burgh quha oft tymes wantis flesche, to the greit dishonestie of the inhabitantis quha ar desolat of prouisioun quhen strangeris reparis, thairfoir ordanis publict intimatioun to be maid one the mercat day that itt sall be lesun to all honest men to bring scheip, nolt, etc., to the Setterday mercat, and that thai sall be frie to slay fra Fryday at xij houris bak and begin to sell one Setterday frome the sone rysing to the doun seit.

7 *November* 1608.

Servantis. It is ordanit that nane fee ane servant bot for ane yeir, and that heirefter nane within burgh tak ane servant quhill the yeir be endit, and this act to be extendit aganis all servantis.

17 *February* 1609.

Burial of James, second Lord Hay of Yester. Ordanis the persounes efter specifeit to ryd to my lordis buriall: John Dikison, Mathow Hay, Thomas Vaiche, Rechart Cheisholme, Andro Paterson, William Dikison, Alexander Broderstanis.

26 *May* 1609.

Calsay burgesses. Ordanis all calsay burgesses to haif na pairt of the hillis.

Doweat. Ordanis that gif itt be possibill ane dowcat to be biggit vpone the Hie Kirk stepill.

5 *August* 1609.

Flesche. Ordanis that na flesche be blawin, vnder the pane of escheating; that nane be sauld vpone the Sabboth, vnder the pane of xx s. Item, that

nane haif merkis one the rumpillis of bestiallis bot onlie ane cros merk on the spald, vnder the pane of viij s. Flesche.

1 *December* 1609.

Becaus that Mr Henrie Balfour is to enter to the commissarie thairfoir ordanis the tolbuith to be preparit with all diligence. Commissarie.

It is ordanit that nane of the counsall want ane hatt; and thai [to be] providit thairwith, baith in kirk counsall and court dayis, betuix and the xxv day of December instant, vnder the pane of ane vnlaw. Councillors to provide hats.

Item, ordanis that all quhome salbe nominat be the provest ballies and Hectour Cranstoun be provydet with psalme buikis betuix and the day forsaid, wnder the pane of ane vnlaw. Psalme bukis.

It is ordanit that the haill honest men, quarterle, be wairnit be the officeris ewere Sonday before and efter nwne to convoy the provest to and fra the tolbuith. Conveying provost.

14 *December* 1609.

Ordanis all the fischeris to sell na fische bot in oppin mercat, vnder the pane of x s. ilk falt, and all the fischeris to be wairdit quhill thai find cawtioun to that effect. Fischeris.

9 *November* 1610.

Ordanis that the scho mercat begin preceislie at ten houris, and that thai all lay out efter ten stryk, wnder the pane of xl s. ilk falt. Scho mercat.

16 *November* 1610.

The quhilk day, becaus of sindre complaintis gewin in aganis seruantis for sindre thair misvsis in drinking within nycht, ryding abone the laiddis, refuissing to work any maner of work, for remeid thairof it is statute and ordanit that nane sell na servantis drink fra 8 houris at nycht bak wnder the pane of xiij s. 4 d. ilk falt, and that nane selt thame drink one the Saboth, and quha sall try thame to the tryar v s. Item, that nane raid abone nor behind na laid, vnder the pane of xx s. ilk falt, to be payit be thame to the maister for ilk falt, with power to the maister gif he try itt sufficientlie Servantis.

Servantis. to retene sua mekill of his fea. Item, that thai refuis na maner of work, within nor without the hous, vnder the pane of vj s. 8 d. for ilk falt, to be payit to the maister, and he to retene sua mekill of his fea sna that maister try the refuisall. Item, that gif ony of thame salbe tryit to retene any seller thair maister gewis thame to by coillis lyme or peittis, they sall pay for ilk falt to the maister vj s. 8 d. Item, that nane fea ane vther manis seruant except the seruant try be twa witnesses that he warnit his maister xl dayis befoir the terme, vnder [the pane] of fyve poundis, the ane half to the tounis vse and the vther half to the maister.

23 *November* 1610.

Burgesses. The counsall, all in ane voice, concludis that nane [be] maid burgessis bot they sall gewe thair burges silwer to big calsay and big swa money rudes as the counsall sall direct thame.

16 *November* 1611.

Sait in the kirk. Referris the dyuising and building of the sait of the kirk to the counsall, viz. . . . Item, ilk person of counsall is content to gewe xx s. to the bigging thairof and Niniane Lowis to be collectour.

Flesh mercat. Item, to remember the making of ane flesh mercat.

11 *August* 1612.

Shearers. Ordanis all these that passit furth of the toun the last yeir to scheir furth of the samin be presentlie poyndit and dischargit that nane of thame pas away this harvest vnder the pane of banishment of the toun, and modifeis thame for thair fea, viz., the best men scheiraris xxx d., the wemen scheiraris ij s.

25 *October* 1613.

Watch. All friemen and inhabitantes to watche and to attend vpone the provest and baillies quhen they salbe requyrit, day and nycht, vnder the pane of ten pund.

Item, all men to be sufficientlie armit.

22 *April* 1616.

William Dyet has conducit himself to be doctour of the schole and faud Maister Johne Brydane cawtioun to keip his houris, to enter at sex remane and teich quhill nyne houris, from ten to tuelf, from ane to sex, and to behawe himself honestlie, actit for his relleif, thairfore the toun to gewe him x merkis termlie fra Witsonday swa lang as he seruis thankfullie. Schole doctour.

23 *April* 1621.

Memorandum. To fee workmen to the casting of the stepill. Stepill.

Item, itt [is] statute and ordanit, becaus the toun wallis ar brokin doun and lyklie to decay throw defalt of these that hes the landis adjacent thairto pertening thairto heritabill, that nocht onlie thay repair re-edifie and mak thair heid rowmes als guid as thay wair of befoir bot also vpald the samyn in all tymes cuming in the lyk estait, vnder the pane of fywe lib. gif thai do nocht the samyn betuix and Lambes. And that ilk ane that passes in or ower the wall pay for ilk falt ten schillingis *toties quoties*. Town wall.

Memorandum. To adwyse the gifting of the prebendaries to ane scholemaister. Scholemaister.

Comisionaris for parliament: James Williamsoun provest, John Dikisoun. Parliament.

11 *June* 1621.

Ordanis the thesawrer to big ane scheill vpone Hammiltoun to the hird. Scheill on Hammiltoun.

29 *April* 1622.

Ordanis that nane within burgh ressawe na vagaboundis, idill men nor beggaris be ressait nycht nor day, nor nather meit nor drink furnishit to thame in thair houssis, vnder the pane of fywe merkis. Vagabonds and beggars.

19 *August* 1622.

Ordanis that na eldin be layit vpone the port heids nor toun wallis, and na woll nor claith driit vpon port heidis nor croce, and that nane s.harge Wall, ports and brig.

Wall, ports and brig.

spaidis nor worklownes vpone the brig stanes wnder the pane of xl s. toties quoties.

28 *April* 1623.

Buikis. East work.

The counsall hes ordanit Thomas Tuedie this day xv dayes to exhibit and produce the haill buikis pertening to the toun of Peblis; togidder also to delyuer to the said counsall the key of the Eist Work.

16 *June* 1623.

Convention of Burrowes.

Ordanis Johnne Lowis commissioner for going to the conventioun of burrowis to [be] halden at Dundie the first of Julij nixtocum.

Hamildoun, Wenlaw, and Caidmure.

Ordaines the baillies to send ane of the officeris ewerie fourtie aucht houris to hund Hamildoun, Wenlaw and Kaidmwir, and anes ewerie weik to go themselffis and hund.

Great Bell.

Ordaines the thesaurer to direct John Frank to ring the grit bell at fyue at morne and aucht at ewin, and gif he failye detene his waiges.

14 *July* 1623.

Auld schooll windows.

Ordeanis the auld schooll windowis to be buildit for keiping lyme.

28 *October* 1623.

Innerlethen Mill.

Ordaines the commoun kist to be socht for the rentall of the milne of Innerlethen and sindrie vtheris writtis.

22 *December* 1623.

Regiam majestam.

Ordaines the provest to produce Regiam Majestatem nixt counsell.

Counsell, hattis.

Ordanes that quhosoewer cummis heir to the counsell heirefter but ane hat sall pay tuentie schillingis, *toties quoties*.

Customs.

The letteris vnderwrittin, at command of the provest bailyeis and counsell, ar copyit and insert in the counsell buik of this burgh, thairin to remane *ad futuram rei memoriam*, quhairof the tennour followis:

James, be the grace of God, King of Scottis: To our schereff of Peblis and his deputtis greitting. Forsamekle as it is humlie menit and schawin to

ws be our louittis, the bailyeis and communitie of our burgh of Peblis, that quhair they haif of ws the small customes of our said burgh and payis thairfoir yeirlie to our comptroller the sowme of fourtene merkis, as the chekker rollis beiris; and quhair they ar in apprewit vse and consuetude of ane firlott of aittis to be payit of euerie pleuch tilth of land within the bounds of our scherefdome of Peblis to thame for thair haill customes of thair cornes hydis skynnis and woll and vtheris guidis brocht to the mercat of our said burgh, ane pairt of lairdis of landwart and thair tementis now mak impediment and refuissis to pay the said custome aittis, in defrauding ws of our custome aucht to ws of the saidis guidis and in grit skaith to the bailyeis and communitie of our burgh that man pay for the samyn to our chekker yeirlie as said is, and aganes justice gif sa be: Our will is heirfoir, and we charge yow straitlie and commandis, that, incontinent thir our letteres sene, ye call befor yow sick persounes as the saidis bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh ar plaintius of anent the premissis and tak cognitioun thairintill, and sa far as the saidis persounes grantis, or that the bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh may sufficientlie preiff, that they haif bene in vse of payment of the saidis custome aittis in tymes bigane, that ye compell the saidis persones to mak payment to thame thairof siclyk in tyme cuming yeirlie, togidder with the rest of the yeiris bigane, as the saidis persounes grantis or the saidis bailyeis and communitie of our said burgh may preiff, according to justice. This ye do without delay, as ye will ansuer to ws vpone the executioun of your office, deliuering thir our letteres be yow dewlie execute and indorsit agane to the berar. Gevin vnder our signet, at Edinburgh the sext day of Merche, and of our regnne the nynt yeir. Ex deliberatione dominorum consilii. Sic subscribitur: CHEPMAN. Customs.

26 *April* 1624.

Ordaines the customar to set vpe the trone, baith for weying of men and vther stapill wairis, foranent the croce, at Alexander Horsbrugh his buith dur. The trone.

Ordaines the haill honest men to be wairnit to attend the magistrattis in maist ciuill forme, euerie man with ane suord at his belt, baith at the Attendance on magistrattis.

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tyme of the Beltane fair and hors race vpone the morne thairefter, as lykwayis at all vther fairis heirefter, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis for ilk failye, *toties quoties*.

24 *May* 1624.

Schoolmaster.

Mr Andro Watsone, scholmaister, compeirand, promeist to gif better attendance in tyme cuming nor he hes done of befoir, he being payit.

20 *August* 1624.

Wappinschawing.

In the Croce Kirk yeard of Peblis, the tuentie day of August the yeir of God j^{m} vj^{c} tuentie and four yeiris. The quhilk day, in presence of James Williamsone provest, Johne Lowis and Alexander Mure bailyeis, compeirit the persounes vnderwrittin at the generall wappinschawing, with thair armour following, viz.: Alexander Horsbrugh burges of Peblis, with ane suord, ane lance, and ane steill bonnat; Patrick Thomsone, with ane suord and ane hagbuit, quha is ordanit to haue ane jack and ane steill bonnat; James Heckfurd, with ane suord, ane hagbuit, and ane steill bonnat; James Greif, vnlawit for wanting of his armour except ane suord; John Oynes, present, with ane jack ane sword, ane steill bonnet, ane speir; Johne Plenderlaith, present, with ane suord quhom ordanis to haue ane lans, ane steill bonnet and ane pair of pletsleuis and ane hagbuit; Johne Smyth, present, with ane speir and ane suord, ordanes him to haue ane jack, ane hagbuit and ane steill bonnet; James Tait, present, with ane suord, ane speir and ane steill bonnet; absent, Patrick Tod; Johne Dikesone, wobster, present, with ane suord and ane speir; ordanis him to haue ane steill bonnet; Thomas Young, present, with ane suord but ane belt, and ane speir, ordannes him to haif ane steill bonnet; Johnne Broune, present, with ane suord and ane lans, ordannes him to haue ane steill bonnet and quhinger . . . . Archbald Frank, with ane hagbuit and suord, ordanis to haue ane buffill coit, Charles Pringill be Johne his sone with ane suord, hagbuit, tua pistollis, steill bonnet and jack. [Other sixty-two persons are mentioned in this list as present, and their armour described; and four persons are stated to be absent. In a separate list, headed "Auld Tonne," twenty-five persons, whose weapons are described, are stated to be present, and one to be absent.]

20 *September* 1624.

Twns bukis.

Anent the supplicatioun gevin in be Thomas Tuedie for his satisfactioun for the bukis produceit be him of his vmquhile father, Sir William Newbie, Sir John Allane and Stanhous workis, the haill counsell hes ordanit and ordanes thair thesaurar, present and to cum, to content and pay to the said Thomas the sowme of fourtie pundis money.

29 *September* 1624.

Estait of the mylnes.

The estait of the mylnes ressauit be Patrik Thomsone, takisman thairof.

The Ruid Mylne. The overstane aucht inches alyk at ey and heme, conforme to the jedge deliuerit to Dauid Plenderlaith present thesaurar for the last yeir and to Thomas Tuedie thesaurar for the yeir to cum; the nether stane ten inches at the ey and aucht inches and ane half at the heme, conforme to the said jedge; the inner quheill of new aik, the vtter quheill new of asch, baith ticht and sufficient; and the haill rest of hir furnitour all new and sufficient; and the mylhous all new biggit with stane and lyme and all of new tymmer.

The Auld Mylne. The nether stane sewin inches alyk at ey and heme; the overstane foure inches alyk at ey and heme, conforme to ane vther jedge delyuerit *vt supra;* the inner and vtter quheillis and haill water graith all sufficient; the mylhous sufficient; item, deliuerit to the said Patrik ane malt firlot, ane quheit firlot, thrie coppis. *Nota:* The mylne wantis ane back dur.

All sichtit and comprysit be the proveist bailyeis and counsell, of consent of the said Patrik Thomsone, takisman foirsaid, and of James Halden, vnder myllar.

11 *October* 1624.

Abusing the magistrates.

Charles Porteous also grantis he said: The devill be amang the provest and bailyeis or I be thair burges, and that they war ane cumpanie of gredie gormawis, for the quhilk also he come in will. Discharges him frome vsing of ony fremanis tred.

10 *November* 1624.

Taking salmon in forbidden time.

The personnes vnderwrittin, accusit for taking of salmond in forbiddin tyme, declarit in maner following, that is to say: Thomas Bemat in Myrehous, for himself and his servandis, cumis in will; John Dikeson and John Hay servitouris to John Hay of Smeithfeild, absent, is vnlawit; Walter Horsbrugh grantis ane fische and cumis in will. [Other eight persons are accused of similar offences.]

7 *March* 1625.

Actis of parliament.

Ordanes Patrik Thomsone to produce the actis of parliament ather the nixt counsell day or ellis the sowme of fourtene pundis money quhilk was gewin thairfoir.

Ordanes Thomas Tuedie, thesaurar, to by the haill new actis subsequent thairto sen the last actis contenit thairintill.

Ordanes the provest to produce *Regiam Majestatem.*

21 *March* 1625.

James Williamsone, proveist, produceit *Regiam Majestatem* and Patrik Thomsone produceit the actis of parliament, quhilkis ar deliuerit to Thomas Tuedie thesaurar.

21 *November* 1625.

Townis writts.

Produceit be James Williamsone the writtis tane out of the commoun kist, in persute of the actiounes of law, viz: decreit of cognitioun concerning the landis of Kaidmure; ane chartour grantit be King James the fourt to the toun of Peblis of the liberties thairof; item, the last new chartour, with the precept and sesing following thairupon; item, ane chartour and ane sesing grantit to the toun of Peblis of the landis of Frankisland; item, the commoun seill; quhilkis ar ordanit to be put in agane in the commoun kist. Item, produceit be him the decreit of improbatioun at the townes instance contrair thair vassellis.

19 *December* 1625.

The haill counsell ordanes Dauid Plenderlaith, thesaurar, to by ane barrell of powder for furnisching of the tua gunnis in the stepill and these that hes peices within this burgh, ilk ane of thame tua vnces, agane the nixt wapounschawing. Powder.

16 *October* 1626.

The haill counsell statutes and ordanes that quhatsumeuer persone, ather burges or induellare within this burgh, sall not cum furth with all expeditioun at ony fray or bruilye or tuilye amangis gentilmen or vtheris at ony tyme heirefter within this burgh, that ilk persone sall pay ane vnlaw of ten pundis for ilk failye, *toties quoties*. Frayis.

Item, that ilk honest man within this burgh by and furnis ane halbert to be reddie in thair foirbuith or furniest hous of thair duelling. Halbert.

30 *April* 1627.

Johne Dunlope, sone laufull to Adam Dunlope in Murscheill in Cuninghame, being presentit be maister Andro Watsone, scholmaister, to be doctour vnder him in the schole of Peblis, fra the terme of Witsonday nixtocum till Mertymes nixt thairefter, and his qualificatioun referrit to the tryell of the persone, Mr Gawin Mackall and Mr Andro himself, conjunctlie, and being sworne and haifing maid faith *de fideli seruicio*, is ressauit to be doctour during the said space, his entrie thairto to be immediatlie efter the said terme of Witsonday nixtocum, for the quhilk seruice thair is appointit to be gevin to him the sowme of tuentie merkis with the ordinar quarter payment of the bairnes, baith to burgh and landwart vsit and wont, and his daylie meit to be throw the toun with the bairnes as vse hes bene, and he to find himself chalmer and bed. School doctor.

3 *September* 1627.

Compeirit Adam Bryden, hird of Kaidmures, and declairit that vpone the penult day of August last Johnne Scott of Hundilishope, being ryding vpone ane hors, with thrie doggis, houndit the tounes scheip off the foir hill of Kaidmures.

Kaidmures. Kaidmure to the Burroleyis and boistit the said Adam, avowing he sould lay ane wand about his luggis.

1 *October* 1627.

Fines. The haill counsell, with advyse of my lord Yester, hes ordanit the half of the haill fynes for quhatsumeuer blude and ryot be collectit be the thesaurare and the vther half thairof to cum to the vse of the proveist and bailyeis, proportionallie amangis thame.

27 *October* 1628.

Gait to Hammiltoun Hill. It is statute and ordanit that whosoeuer pas by the merche stanes in the gait betuixt the Auld Toun and Hammiltoun Hill sall pay for euerie fault ten pundis, *toties quoties*, and that the haill land teillit by the merche stanes be laid doun.

3 *November* 1628.

Port on Tweed brig. Ordanes ane poirt to be put vpe vpoun Tueid brig.

1 *March* 1629.

Witchcraft. In presence of James Williamsone proveist of Peblis, compeirit William Tait saidler, burges of Peblis, and James Mathiesone induellar thair, and become actit, conjunctlie and seuerallie, for Williame Mathiesone in Kirno brother to the said James as being apprehendit be maister Theoder Hay persoun of Peblis as subject of witchcraft, etc., that the said William Mathiesone sall nawayis escaipe nor be fugitiue fra the lawes of this realme, bot that he salbe ever readie and subject vpon sex dayis wairning to compeir before any judge or judges spirituall or temporall within this realm and vnderlye the saidis lawes als oft as he salbe requyrit or acit thairto, and that vnder the pain of fyve hundreth merkis money of this realme, *toties quoties*, lykeas the said William hes actit him to releave his saidis cautioners.

1 *June* 1629.

Appointment of schoolmaster. The quhilk day, Mr William Dikesone, conforme to ane supplicatioun gevin in be him, being ressauit and admittit to be scholmaister of this

burgh till the aucht day of September nixtocum alanerlie, at quhilk tyme, or ony tyme thairefter, he oblissis himself to remove thairfra without ony forder warning, and being sworne maid faith *de fideli et diligenti seruicio* thairintill, and to gif his diligent attendance thairto at the ordinar times appointit and vsit of befoir in teitching the bairnes committit to his charge, and thau, except it be the counsell guid plesour and will, sall renunce simpliciter the said schole and all benefeit thairof for ever, lyk as he hes subscryuit this present act togidder with the articles and his iniunctiounes in the said seruice following acceptit be him as following, viz: In primis, that he sall daylie in the oulk dayis enter to the said schole at sex houris in the morning, and, efter prayer and compt of thair morning lessounes or pairtis, sall teitche the lessounes to the bairnes baith leirning latene and scottis till nyne houris. Item, he sall enter him self and convene the saidis bairnes daylie the saidis oulk dayis at ten houris, awaiting vpone thame and instructing thame to wryt fra ellevin houris till tuelf houris. Item, he sall enter agane to the said schole daylie ilk oulk day at half hour to tua houris efter none and await vpone the schole till sex houris at nicht, taking ane accompt of thair lessounes at four houris daylie. And it sall not be lesum to him to gif the bairnes libertie to play ony dayis except betuixt tua and four houris efter none vpoun Tysday and Thursday and Setterday; and, gif it pleis him, vpoun Setterday fra tua houris bak for all that nicht; remitting his attendance vpone the said schole vpoun Sabboth day to his awin discreetioun sa lang as he is exerceisit in the functioun of ane minister. And gif he sall failye in ony point of the premissis he of his awin consent immediatlie thairefter is content to be depryvit the said schole and all benefeit thairof in tyme cuming. (Signed) M. W. DICKESONE. Appointment of schoolmaster.

20 *July* 1629.

Ordanes all these that hes not sent thair horsses to the lyme for my lord of Tracquair to be presentlie poyndit or wairdit quhill they pay fyve pundis. Lord Traquair.

17 *August* 1629.

Mr. Mathow Forsyth is satisfeit for the buik contening the copies of the writtis produceit be our vassellis in the improbatioun socht be ws againes thame. Improbation against vassals.

10 *May* 1630.

Gift of a mort-cloth.

The quhilk day, compeirit James Williamsone burges and ane of the counsellouris of the burgh of Peblis, in name and behalf of Robert Horsbruik sone laufull to vmquhile Alexander Horsbruik of that ilk and burges of Edinburgh, and declairit that the said Robert tendering the further supplie of the pure of the parochin of Peblis had out of his awin frie motive will doittit dedicattit and mortifeit vnto the said burgh of Peblis and sessioun thairof ane mortclayth, being of fyne black claith lynit throw with blak buckasie and compassit round about with ane blak silk frenzie in the bordouris thairof, quhilk he than exhibit and produceit in counsell befoir the proveist bailyeis and counsell of the said burgh, and desyrit that the samyn micht be kepit in all tyme cuming be the kirk thesaurar of the paroche kirk of Peblis and his successoris thesauraris thairof quha suld in thair names geve furth the samyn for decorment of all defunctis as he suld be requyrit, and that vpone ane competent pryce or dewtie thairfoir as the saidis proveist bailyeis counsell minister and sessioun of Peblis suld appoint and set doun, and the samyn moneyis to be distribute to the pure of the said burgh and parochin at the discretioun and directioun of the said counsell and sessioun; as lykwayis desyrit that gif the saidis counsell and sessioun suld happin to impose ane gritter sowme vpone the borrowaris of the said mortclaith for defunctis without burgh mair nor within the samyn, in that cace that they suld haif ane speciall regaird for mitigatioun to be grantit to the parochineris of Ettilstoun, Kailzeo, Menner and Lyne, for quhois vse and seruice vpone the said ressonabill mitigatioun he had speciallie giftit the samin nixt efter the said burgh and parochin of Peblis. And thairfoir the saidis proveist bailyeis and counsell efter dew deliberatioun and thanksgiving to God for so cristiane ane dispositioun towardis the pure anes of the said parochin, and without ony forder inquyrie of ony vther end or intentioun of the said dotatioun, they all in ane voce and be the tennour of this present act, ordanes that the said mortclaith sall in all tyme cuming remane in the custodie and keiping of the said kirk thesaurar of the said kirk and his successoris thesauraris thairof quha salbe actit to be comptable at all tymes to the saidis proveist bailyeis counsell and sessioun for the samyn; and that he sall at all tymes be reddie to deliuer the said mortclaith to ony persone

that salhappin to requyre the samyn for the end and vse foirsaid upone the pryces respectiue vnderwrittin and in maner efter decydit, that is to say, that ilk borrowar thairof within burgh sall pay at the ressaving thairof the sowme of threttene schillingis four penneis, and forder according to thair chiritie and plesour; and ilk borrowar thairof without burgh and within the parochin sall pay thairfoir tuentie schillingis, and forder at thair plesour and chiritie, and find cawtioun for deliuerie thairof vnharmit within the space of sex houris vnder the pane of ane hundreth pundis; and that ilk borrowar of the samyn within ony of the said foure parochins abonspecifeit sall pay at the ressaving thairof the sowme of threttie schillingis and forder at thair discretioun and find cawtioun actit in the toun court buikis for deliuerie of the samyn bak agane vnharmit within the space of xxiiij houris vnder the lyk pane of ane hundreth pundis; and that ilk borrowar thairof for ony defunct without the said four parochinis sall pay at the ressaving tharof fyve merkis money, and forder according the distance of the boundis and qualitie of the persones, and find cawtioun as said is for deliuerie thairof bak agane vnharmit within the said space of tuentie four houris, vnder the said pane of ane hundreth pundis. And hes ordanit and ordanis that na privat persone quhatsumeuer ather to burgh or land buy or vse ony vther mortclaith heirefter, aither for thair awin vse or the vse of vtheris, bot onlie to vse the said mortclaith, ilk persone contravener vnder the pane of [*blank*]. And ordanes thir presentis to be publischit and preceptis to be direct heirvpoun gif neid beis. Gift of a mort-cloth.

29 *May* 1631.

The quhilk day, ane noble John lord Stewart of Traquhair thesaurer of Scotland, Sir George Cockburne of Ormstoun, James Stewart of Ormstoun, Robert Ker callit of Greinheid, Michaell Naismith younger of Posso, John Lowes of Mennar, James Patersone of Cauerhill, John Burnet younger of Bernes, John Maik seruitour to the said Sir George Cockburne of Ormstoun, being resseaved and admitted burgesses and freemen of the burgh of Peblis, and libertie gevin to thame to vse all priuileges and fredomes thairof, and they and ilk ane of them acceptand maid faith and hes gevin thair aithes of fidelitie thairanent as vse is. Burgesses.

5 *March* 1632.

Javellaire, etc. Comperit personallie Johnne Robene burges of Peblis, and being ereat ressauit sworne and admittit javellour and keipar of the stepill and javill houssis and tolbuith of the said burgh, and keipar guydar and rewlar of the knok thairof, and to ring the bellis of the samyn at the ordinar tymes accustomed and appointit, ... hes gevin his grit aith of fidelitie thairintill, and for thankfull and tymous seruice in the samyn at all occasiounes, alsweill nicht as day, and that he salbe comptable for quhatsumeuer persone or persones that salhappin to be arreistit or committit in waird thairintill till they be laufullie and ordourlie fred or relevit furth thairof, and for that effect he sall haif ane buik to be markit and subscryuit be the proveist bailyeis and clerk of the said burgh quhairintill he sall insert everie persones name to be committit in the said waird at quhais instance they salbe committit or arreistit, the particular caus or sowme of money for the quhilkis they ar or salbe arreistit, as also the maner of thair releiff furth of waird, beiring the name of the magistrat and pairtie commandar or causar of thair releiff with the caus and ressoun thairof. . . . .

19 *March* 1632.

Commissariat. James Williamsone, present, produceit the gift of the Commissariat grantit be the Bischope of Glasgow, Spottiswod, to vmquhile Mr Henry Balfour commissar, togidder with ane letter of recommendatioun of him to the toun of Peblis.

26 *March* 1632.

Convening of the counsell. The haill counsell convenit, hes ratifeit and approvin thair sindrie lovable actis, maid be thame and thair predecessouris, anent the absentis frome counsell not cuming thairto in dew tyme at the ringing of the bell and cuming thairto with blew bonnettis without hattis, and ordanis everie ane of thir failyeis to be punischit be payment of aucht schillingis to be payit be ilk contravenar *toties quoties* but mitigatioun.

27 *May* 1633.

Learning bairns to spin. Appointis Weddinsday nixt to convene the haill persones and parentis of these bairnes gevin vpe in roll to be bund for ane yeir to the small quheill in the hous to be erectit to lerne the young anes to spyn.

3 *June* 1633.

The baill counsell hes referrit the taking of ane hous for the maistres and bairnes of the lytill quheill to be erectit for leirning of the young anes of this burgh, to the proveist the tua bailyeis Alexander Mure and Thomas Tuedie thair discretioun. Learning bairns to spin.

18 *November* 1633.

Anent the generall complaint maid of certane the inhabitantis of this burgh for railing out, miscalling and baning of the brekeris of the taxatioun, ordanes the proveist and bailyeis to caus warne all these raillaris in the stepill, thairin to remane fourtie aucht houris without mitigatioun, conforme to the roll to be gevin to thame and informatioun thairanent. Railing against taxation.

20 *April* 1635.

The counsell ordanes ane roll to be drawn vpe of sick persones as salbe nominat be the proveist and bailyeis to be warnit to await vpone thame during the tyme of the fair, vnder sick panes as they sall pleis modifie. The fair.

1 *August* 1636.

The chartour of the corne mylne and millandis of Innerlethen, grantit to my lord erle of Traquhair, is subscryuit be the counsell and ordanit to be deliuerit to his lordship with ane discharge of all byganes. Mill of Traquair.

Ordanes the thesaurer to buy Wederburnes grammer and deliuer the samyn to the scholmaister, conforme to the act of the burrowis at thair generall conventioun. Wedderburnes grammar.

14 *November* 1636.

It is statute and ordanit that in respect of the appeirance of the plaige that na persone within this burgh pas furth theirof to na forane pairt, without speciall licence of the provest and bailyeis or ane sufficient testimoniall subscryuit be the clerk at thair command. And sicklyk that nane ressett ony stranger quhatsumeuer till they adverteis the proveist and baillies and obtene thair licence, vnder the pane of banishment or xl li. And for that effect ordanes the portis to be preeisle kepit in the day The plague.

The plague. tyme and the town to be watchit in the nicht tyme, and the constables with ane of the bailleis in thair quarteris to set the saids watches and they to check the saids watches; and the vnlattaris of this act in ony point thairof to be wardit till they mak satisfactioun.

12 *June* 1637.

Wedderburnes grammar. Item, the thesaurar to buy Wedderburnes grammer and deliuer the samyn to the scholmaister, conforme to the act in August last.

6 *November* 1637.

Bairns to be sent to school. Ordanes all these of this burgh that hes ony bairnes able for the schole to put thame thairto *primo quoque tempore*, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten merkis, conforme to ane roll deliuerit to William Melros.

Counsell, kirk. Ordanes the haill counsell to sit ilk Sabboth day in the tounes stall in the kirk, and that ilk counsellour to haif ane new hatt thairin, vnder the pane of xl s. *toties quoties*.

16 *April* 1638.

School doctor. Anent the provisioun of ane doctour to the schole of Peblis and his mentenance and intertenement in meit and fie, the haill counsell hes condiscendit that the haill honest men, baith counsell and all vther inhabitantis honest men, salbe convenit this day efter none, and thair voittis and consentis sall be had thairanent; and all these quhais names followis haifing convenit, they with advyse of the counsell hes condiscendit and aggreit that ane guid qualifeit and sufficient persone and doctor salbe socht for that effect, and that he sall haif of quarter payment for ilk bairne put and to be put to the schole fyve schillingis quarterlie, with sick augmentatioun as the counsell of this burgh sall think meit and allow, and that in full contentioun baith of his [meit] about with the bairnes, and of ony vther dewtie dew to him, and that this present act salbe drawin and maid thairvpone. The names of the persounes compeirand and consenting heirto followis, they ar to say, Doctor Theodor Hay persone of Peblis, Johnne Lowis provest, Dauid Plenderlayth and Patrik Thomsone bailyeis, James Williamsone [and twenty two others] and the haill remanent honest men and honest wemen of this burgh all in ane voce aggreeand, except Paull Robesone.

4 *October* 1638.

Anent the missive letter sent from the commissionaris of Edinburgh and vtheris burghis convenit at Edinburgh to ws, desyring this burgh to protest aganes the proclamatioun of the generall covenant, the counsell hes concludit that protestatioun sall be maid quhensoeuer the samyn salbe proclamit, and to that effect ordanes tua of the counsall to attend the samyn daylie. The generall covenant.

29 *April* 1639.

Ordanes all these that hes not subscryuit the covenantis to be convenit this day at the clerks buith to subscryve the samyn. The covenantis.

1 *May* 1639.

Anent my lord Yesteris letter direct to the burgh of Peblis and gentrie of the schyre, daittit the last of Apryle last, beirand that his Majesties navie of tuentie aucht weir schippis war cum within the Forth towardis Leyth, that thairfoir the fourt man of the kingdome behovit to ryse in airmes as was formarlie proclameit, lykwyis ordaning that the fourt man of the burgh suld repair to him and his cullouris at Leyth this nicht [at] anes, in such airmes and furnist as was appointit, the magistrattis and haill counsellouris of this burgh ordanes the first quarter of the inhabitantis disignit in the roll, with the magistrat appointit thairto to performe the desyre and ordinance of his lordshipis foirsaid letter in sua far as may extend to the number and space of ten dayis and ten nicghtis seruice alancrlie, at the expyring quhairof the saidis magistrats and counsell ordanes the magistrat and men specifeit in the secund rank to relewe thame, and efter vther ten dayis these of the thrid rank to relewe these of the secund, and sicklyk these of the fourt rank to relewe the thrid, and during the said seruice to begin agane at the first rank. (Signed) Ja. Thomsone, for the first quarter; William Lowes, for the secund quarter; Johne Lowis prowest, for the thrid quarter; Dauid Plenderleath, for the fourt quarter. Armed men sent to Lord Yester.

19 *August* 1639.

Picks and musketis.

Ordanes the provest and baillies to exact the pryces of the picks and musketis deliuerit to the inhabitantis of this burgh, and to serche quha ressauit these left at the camp, beginning first at Patrik Thomsone and his companie.

30 *July* 1640.

Furnishing armes.

The counsell hes ordanit all the fourt men to go away to tak thair awin airmes gif they haif thame, and the wther thrie to contribute with him and act thame for his releiff *pro rata*, and gif the fourt man haif na armour of his awin that he and his pertineris furnish airmes to him, and he and they all actit to relewe vtheris.

16 *July* 1641.

Men sent to army.

The provest and bailyeis of Peblis, with avise and consent of the haill counsell of this burgh, hes actit thame selffis for releiff of the haill cumpanie as fourt men now presentlie going furth of this toun to the airmie, to provyde als mony vtheris men at the expyring of the fourtie dayes preseryuit to thame as will releiff all these men now presentlie going away, and that vnder the pane of thair fredome at the fourtie dayes end.

31 *August* 1641.

Watching corues.

Ordanes ane watche of sex personnes to watche the toun and cornes fra aucht houris at nicht and fyve houris in the morning, ilk persone vnder the pane of xl s.

1 *November* 1641.

Airmour.

Ordanes the bailyes to tak tryell of the airmour cum hame fra the camp.

8 *December* 1641.

Mu-kettes and picks.

Compt of the armes deliverit be the burgh of Pebles to the inhabitantes therof in anno 1639, and for which they wer wairnit and conveanit befor the burro court vpon the eight of December 1641 :—

Muskettes of the first pryce: James Horsbruigh, present, ane, grantis; John Horsbruigh, ane; . . . . . *inde* of thes 19. Muskettis of the second price; . . . . . *inde* of that sort, 22. *Inde*, in all 41 musquettes. Muskettes and picks.

Followis the pickes: . . . . . *Inde* in all 41 pickes. Octavo Decembris 1641. Haldis all not compeiring pro confessis.

1 *May* 1643.

Ordanes the haill counsell and haill remanent honest men of the toun to attend the proveist and bailyeis, with ane sword at thair belt and ane staff in thair hand, the morne efter Beltane day, the haill tyme of the hors races, ilk persone vnder the pane of fourtie schillingis, and ordanes the officiaris to warne the haill toun for that effect. Attendance on the magistrates.

8 *January* 1644.

The counsell ordanes James Chisholme, quha is wairdit for not going furth to the present expeditioun, to be relewit vpone sufficient cawtioun that he salbe reddie to go furth quhensoeuer the provest and bailyeis sall requyre him vnder the pane of fourtie pundis and going furth of his said cawtioner for him incaice of failye. Refusal to go to army.

6 *May* 1644.

Ordanes ane mustare and wapounschawing to bè vpone Setterday nixt, and these that hes muskettis ilkane to haif ane pund of powder and ane pund of ballis, and the toun sall provyde and give thame matche. Wapounschawing.

22 *June* 1644.

The quhilk day, Andrew Hay of Hayistown scherefde put of the scherefdome of Peblis, haiveing apprehendit and taken Johne Broderstanes, lait servant to Archbald Homiltoune in Over Orsbruik, runaway from the companie of Captane Andro Hay in the airmie at York, and presentit him to Patrick Thomsone ane of the bailyeis of Peblis, to be put in thair suire waird, for obedience of the ordinance of the Committie of Estaittes and of the Committie of War within this schyre, and the said Johne being thair- Runaway from army at York.

Runaway from army at York.

intill incarcerate for obedience foirsaid, compeirit Patrick Brodderstanes merchant in Peblis and Adam Brotherstanes in Over Kidstoun his brother and actit thameselfes [as cautioners for John Brodderstanes appearing before the Committee of War and obeying their injunctions,—this being done "with consent of Sir Alexander Murray of Blakbaronie convenar of the said Committie of War."]

10 *July* 1644.

Runaways from army at York.

The quhilk day, Johne Grainger serjant in the companie of Captane John Hammiltoune callit of Mauchlaine Holl, within the generall of arteilyeries regiment resident in Hammiltoun, and Stewin Barbour sojor in the companie of Captane Sinclair vnder the chancellares regiment resident in Kilbatchane parochin, the saids Johne Grainger and Stewin Barbour being apprehendit be Patrik Thomsone and Dauid Plenderlaithe bailyeis of Peblis, as runawayes from the airmie at York, hes by thir presentis enactit thameselfes be thair great aithes to returne to the said airmie within fourtene dayes, and that vnder the paine of deathe.

7 *January* 1645.

Runaway from Rolmanno.

The quhilk day, in presence of Patrick Thomsone ane of the bailyeis of the burgh of Peblis, compeirit Edward Will wobster, induellar in Peblis, runaway from the company of capitane Johne Murray of Rolmanno lying at Drumfreis, and actit himself to repaire to the said company and cullour quhairever the samen sall happen to be for the tyme betuix the dait heirof and the second day of Februar nixtocum but langer delay, and that vnder the paine of deathe.

23 *June* 1645.

Pest. Fair discharged.

The counsell hes ordanit that publicatioun and intimatioun be maid at the mercat croce of this burgh discharging the fair of St Peters day ensewing to be haldin ather within the burgh or ony pairt outwith the samyn, in respect of the present suspicioun of the plaig of pestilence; and incaice ony cum from Louthiane or ony vther suspect place that the proveist with John Lowis and James Hope [and eleven others] attend the mercat places baith in burgh and in the pairtis about.

9 *July* 1645.

Pestilence. In presens of James Williamsone proveist of Peblis, Patrick Thomsone and Dauid Plenderlaith bailyeis thairof, compeirit James Halden miller, burges of Peblis, and Thomas Tueddell traveller thair, and becam actit as cautioneres, coniunctlie and seuerallie, for Thomas Tueddell wricht in Edinburgh being this day come furth of Edinburgh suspect of the plague of pestilence to his barne at the style callit Tueddellis style, being be the saidis proveist and bailyeis chargeit to remane within the said barne till sik tyme that the apperance of infectione be past, that the said Thomas Tueddell his wyfe nor nane of his servantes nor familie sall cum furth of the said barne for the space of fourtie dayes nixt heirefter, but sall remane within the said barne and hald the eister and southe doores thairof cloise steikit and lockit, and nawayes come furth thairof, nor haunt nor have companie or resort with any persones quhatsumeuir, nor suffer any resort to thame during the said space, and that vnder the pane of fyve hundreth pundis Scottes money and burning of the said berne incaice of failye, and the said James Halden to have the keiping the key of the southe doore of the said barne and be ansuerable thairfoir during that ilk tyme vnder the said pane, and that no meit nor drink sall be gevin in to thame outwith the presens of ane or tua of the counsell sessione or honest men of the burghe, lykeas the said Thomas Tueddell wricht hes actit him to releive his saidis cautioneres and ather of thame of thair becomeing cautioneres for him in maner and to the effect abonewrittin.

18 *July* 1645.

Expedition to St Johnstoun. Thir persones vndernemit ar appointit to go furth in the expeditioun to St Johnstoun, viz.: Alexander Dikesone, William Melros, John Robesone, Thomas Grewe, James Watsone, John Hunter seruitour to James Williamsone, John Mackcullour seruitour to Alexander Williamsone, John Carrail seruitour to John Williamsone, Robert Porteous, John Fell.

23 *August* 1645.

Committee of War. Convenit in the tolbuith of Peblis, the proveist bailyeis and haill counsell thairof, except Patrik Thomsone bailye, and Alexander Lawder absent, expecting the convening of the Committee of War this day, hes vndertane

Committee of War.

to await vpone the proveist and bailyeis, and to geve thair best advyse quhat ansuer they sall geve to sick propositiounes as salbe proponit be the committie to thame.

27 *August* 1645.

Inhabitants to await on magistrates.

The proveist bailyeis and counsell of Peblis hes statute and ordanit that all and sindrie persones quhatsumeuer, residentis within this burgh, be wairnit be oppin proclamatioun and twk of drum, that they nor nane of thame, vpone quhatsumeuer calls or pretence, pas furth of this burgh to ony vther pairtis, bot to abyde constantlie within this burgh, and await vpone the proveist and bailyeis thairof, baith nicht and day, for thair counsell and advyse anent the preseruatioun of this burgh during the tyme of thir present trubles, and that vnder the pane of death and confiscatioun of thair haill gudis and meanes.

1 *September* 1645.

Town wall to be repaired.

Ordanes John Trumble for Patrik Toddis pairt of the toun wall, and James Scott for his pairt thairof, Johne Plenderkaith for his pairt of the turne, and John Thomsone for the vther pairt thairof, to red and big thair pairtis of the samyn, within xlviij houris, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis, with satisfactioun to the warkmen.

15 *December* 1645.

Pestilence.

The counsell hes ordanit Marioun Vaitche spous to Thomas Hope, with hir bairnes and famelie, and James Thomsone his wyff bairnes and famelie, quhais houssis baith ar infectit, to go furth this nicht to tua seuerall ludges in the Grene, and to provyde thame selffis in ẽlding and vther necessar furnisching, and to tak the samyn with thame, and lykwyis ordanes the thesaurare to clois in Patrik Watsone and Thomas Bennet thair houssis.

5 *October* 1646.

Election of magistrats and counsellors.

The quhilk day, before the electioun forsaid, compeirit maister Theodor Hay person of Peblis, and produceit ane act of the committee of estaittes recommending all magistrattes and vthers within the kingdome who ar to have electioun of the magistrattes of burrowes for the ensewing year that

they mak choyse of no persones to be magistrattes, or on the counsell of their burgh, for the year following, who have complyed with the rebellis or vnder proces for the samyn, and have not gevin satisfactioun to the kirk, as the said act of the dait at Edinburgh, the nyntene of September 1646, proportis, togidder with ane act of the commissionares of assemblie appoynting, according to the power committit to everie presbiterie or minister of burgh or ather of them to give ane roll of the complyeris vnder proces in their bounds to the meiting of the schyre and to the toune counsell respectivlie that they may the better knaw how to give obedience to the said recommendatioun of the committee, and withall to intimat that the commissioun will proceide with the censures of the kirk againes such persones ellected and accepting the imployment with the greater severitie and diligence, requyreing the presbiteries and ministers aforsaid or ather of them to doe their exact diligence theirin and to report accompt therof to the nixt meiting of the commissioun, as the vther act of the dait at Edinburgh the tuentie-ane of September 1646 also beires, and protestit that in respect the saids proveist bailyeis and counsell and inhabitantes of the said burgh was this day to make electioun of magistrattes and counsellores for the yeare following that they should make choyse of suche persones to be magistrattes and ypon their counsell as hes not complyit with the rebellis and ar not vnder proces therfore and have gevin satisfactioun to the kirk, as they wald be ansuerable vpon the contrair, and thervpon desyreit act of court. Election of magistrats and counsellors.

12 *October* 1646.

The proveist bailyeis and counsell convenit, ratifies and apprewes the actis formarlie maid anent the meiting of the counsell in maner forme and tymes following, viz., ilk fyftene dayis vpone Monday at the ringing of the bell and ofter as accasioun sall offer, and quhasoeuer sall not convene imediatlie efter the bell ringing sall pay foure schillingis as *sero*, and quhasoeuer salbe altogedder absent sall pay ten schillingis; and that nane cum without hattis bot be in decent forme as becummethe counsellouris, vnder the lyk pane of ten schillingis; and that nane of the counsell depairt thairfra before the dissolving thairof, vnder the samyn pane. Meetings of counsell.

20 *April* 1647.

Silver bell won by Lord Traquair's servitor.

In presence of William Lowes ane of the bailyeis of Pebles, compeirit personallie William Jonkesone younger burges of Pebles and became actit cawtion for John Stewart servitor to my lord erle of Traquair, quho haveing this day receavit the silver bell of Pebles with tua litle bellis and eight pendicles thairat, that the said John shall redelyver the samyn great bell with the saids tua little belles and eight pendicles, togidder with his awin additione, betuixt and the thrid day of May nixt, vnder the paine of tua hundreth merkes Scottes money.

30 *August* 1647.

Trouperis and dragooneris.

Ordanes the officiaris to mak intimatioun to the haill inhabitantis of this burgh that they nor nane of thame ressett ony trouperis or dragoneris without speciall licence and directioun of the magistratis, ilk persone vnder the pane of ten pundis toties quoties.

4 *May* 1648.

Silver bell won by Lord Ramsay.

Compeirit personallie ane noble and potent lord George lord Ramsay, who haveing with ane gray stoned young hors win the silver bell of Peblis, by running thryce about the stowpes of Whythauch, hes receavit the said bell, haveing appendit therto thrie little belles and eight pendicles, all weyand ane pund tuo ounces and ellevine drope weicht of silver, [finds caution that the same will be returned on 4th May next year "with his lordships additione therto."]

15 *May* 1648.

Persons to be sent to expeditiion.

The counsell has continewit the nominatioun of these to be sent furth to this present expeditioun till the morne, at sewin houris in the morning, and to meit at the proveistis hous incais he be not able to cum heir.

17 *May* 1648.

Contributions for Towns leives.

The magistrattis and remanent counsell, considdering the leavie moneyis, tuentie dayis provisioun, and airmes, to be gevin to the persones to be sent

furth be this burgh, hes statute and ordanit that everie inhabitant of quhatsumeuer sex degrie or aige sall pay the sowme of fyftie schillingis, and the magistrattis to tak consideratioun of the habilitie of ilk persone; and for ingathering thairof hes appointit [two persones for each of the four "quarters" and two "for the Auld Toun."] Contributions for Towns levies.

26 *May* 1648.

The names of these of the burgh of Peblis nominat to be sojiris to go furth in this present expeditioun:—Johne Thomsone sone in law to Johne Broun merchant, [Here follow the names of forty-four persons], or ony tuentie of thame. Sojoris nominated.

19 *June* 1648.

The counsell hes appointit the quartermaisteris efternemit to cuncur with the magistrattis in the quarteringis of fute and horssis, viz. . . . . Quartermaisters appointed.

Item, that quhasumeuer sall geve moneyis to ony sojer, or chift the billet vpone ane nichtbour, sall pay to the thesaurar of this burgh fyve pundis vnforgevin, and quhasoeuer sall absent or put away thair horssis fra the tounes seruice, they being wairnit the nicht before, sall also pay the said fyne of fyve pundis vnforgevin. Billeting sojeris.

Ordanes Bessie Edmond mother to James Gibsone, and Jonet Robesone mother to John Melros, quha did deliuer tua sojiris in name of thair sones, quhilk sojiris hes now desertit frome thair cullouris, to present thair saidis sones to the major, and the counsall to tak consideratioun anent the repayment to the saidis Bessie and Jonet of the moneyis gewin furth be thame to the saidis sojiris, and in the meane tyme the magistrattis to deall with the major gif wee tak money for the saidis tua persones. Desertion of sojiris.

Ordanes the quarter maisteris of the fyftie schillingis to ingather the samyn, vnder the pane of quartering vpone thame for thair negligence. Contributions to be gathered.

Ordanes all these that had nane of Murray horssis to contribute with these that had the horssis.

It is resolvit that quhasoeuer of the persones inrollit and contenit in the act the xxvj of Maii last salbe or hes bene fugitiue and deficient they and thair Fugitives.

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parentis salbe punisched as deficientis conforme to the act of parliament, and at thair returne sall relewe these quha ar gone out.

It is ordanit be the counsell that whosoever of the counsell shall advyse any of the persones inrollit to goe furth in this leavie to run away, or shall hear of any persones that gives them counsell to flie or runaway and not reveall the same to the counsell or some of the magistrates, in that caice the persone being a counsellour so giveing advyse or not revealing shall goe out himself for such a runaway or fugitive.

6 *July* 1648.

Picks and musketis.

The counsell haifing tane notice that pickis and musketis hes bene takin frome sindrie of the inhabitantis of this burgh to the sojeris gone furth with Major Somervell in Julij instant, the said persones aucht to be frie thairof, viz., Dauid Plenderlaith bailye, [and three others, each] of ane musket and bandeleans, and William Lowys bailye of ane pyck.

17 *July* 1648.

The counsell ordanes all these that hes not gevin furth thair muskettis and pickis to mak payment of the pryces thairof, and for that effect the clerk to serche the rollis.

19 *September* 1648.

Inhabitants not to leave town.

The haill counsell hes statute and ordanit intimatioun to be maid be tuk of drum throw the toun inhibiting all and quhatsumeuer inhabitantis of this burgh, parentis childrene maisteris and servantis, within sextie and abone sextene yeiris, not to pas furth of this burgh or hes past furth thairof sen the first of September instant, bot to abyd thairin to be feyit be advyse of the magistratts and counsell, with certificatioun to these quha failyeis the maister for the servantis and the parentis for the childrene sall supplie thair absence, and incaice of failye banischment of the toun for ever.

Inhabitants to be convened.

Item, to warne the haill inhabitantis quhatsumeuer of this burgh to convene in the tolbuith the morne at sex houris in the morning preceislie, ilk persone absent vnder the pane of fourtie schillingis.

20 *September* 1648.

Inhabitants convened.

The bailyeis counsell and haill inhabitantis of the burgh of Peblis, except the absentis, convenit in the tolbuith thairof.

Men to advise with council.

The persounes vndernemit, with consent of the haill inhabitantis of this burgh, are joynit with the counsell and sworne to give thair advyse and consent anent the outputting of the fute men to General Leslie his airmie, viz., [Here follow the names of sixteen persons] quha being all present and sworne maid faith.

General Leslie's expeditioun.

The names of these quha ar electit to go furth vpone the expeditioun with Generall Leslie :—[Here follow the names of fifteen persons.]

Assault.

John Cleg burges of Pebles, present, accusit for ryot committit be him vpon Thomas Moses walker thair, grantis he come in to Thomas Moses and miscalled him, conforme to the bill, with a drawin knyfe in his hand, but denyit strykeing. John Wilsone witnes, sworne, depones : Saw John Cleg offer the poynt of ane knyfe to Thomas Moses, swore to put a pair of billoittes throu him and tuik him four or fyve tymes with the blunt end of the knyfe, and that Thomas Moses cuist John Cleg bak over and got on above him and heard him say Thomas Moses did byte his thomb.

22 *September* 1648.

Contribution for munition.

The counsell, with advyse of the remanent persones joynit with thame, for munitioun and money to be advanceit to these quha pas furth to this present expeditioun, hes modifeit twentie schillingis to be payit betuixt and the morne at nicht to be payit be ilk persone induellar in the toun, and for collecting and ingathering thairof appointis [two persons for each of the four quarters and two for the "Auld Toun."]

9 *October* 1648.

New counsell.

New counsell : My lord erle of Tueddell, my lord Yester, James Williamsone proveist, Dauid Plenderlaith and William Lowis bailyeis, John Lowis [and eleven others]. Item, thair is added to thame Johnne Plenderleyth youngar [and three others].

English troopers.

The quhilk day, in presence of the proveist bailyeis and counsell convenit, compeirit William Patersone induellar in Peblis and confest he was addebtit to Alexander Vaitche of Menner the sowme of thrie scoir ellewin pundis

English troopers.

money for the pryce of scheip and wtheris, quhilk sowme the said counsell arreistit and ordanit the said William Patersone to mak furthcoming to the toun of Peblis in pairt of payment of the skaith sustenit be the toun be the bringing and quartering of the Inglisch trouperis vpone the aucht of October instant without ony orderis direct to the toun of Peblis, and that be the said Alexander quha had orderis for quartering of thame himself.

8 *January* 1649.

Picks and muskets.

Ordanes the quartermaisteris appointit for ingathering of the pryces of the pickis and musketis to ingather the samyn in all haist, in respect thair is ane letter writtin be Mr Alexander Hay to the clerk to signifie the samyn to the counsell that the samyn must be payit to my lord Tueddell betuixt and Candilmes nixt.

30 *January* 1649.

Appointment of schoolmaster.

The whilk day, Mr. William Purdie, brother german to Mr. Patrik Purdie minister at Newlandes, being receavit and admittit scoolmaster of the scoole of Pebles from the feist and terme of Mertimes last bypast whilk was his entre therto till the terme of Witsonday nixt j^{m} vj^{c} fourtie nyne yeares instant, for the sowme of ane hundreth merkis Scottes money of constant rent and ten merkes money forsaid for his chalmer maill to be payit to him at foure termes and quarteris in the year . . . and that for all payment of duetie or casualitie be the proveist baillies or thesaurer of this burgh, togither with twelve pennies Scottes money of quarter payment for ilk toune bairne and thretteine schilling iiij d. money forsaid for ilk landwart bairne quarterlie at the saids foure ternes; and the said Mr. William Purdie compeirand personallie and acceptand the said office of schoolmaisterschipe in and vpon him for the stipend forsaid, hes given his oath of fidelitie for discharge of ane honest cairefull, diligent and faithfull duetie in the said office be instructing the youth in the grounds of divinitie and liberall sciences according to his knowledge and their capacitie . . . Lykeas he hes acceptit the injunctiounes injoynit to him in the said service consisting in the articles following, viz.: *Imprimis*, he shall daylie in the weik dayes enter to the said scoole at sex houres in the morning, and after morning prayer and psalmes with ane accompt of the scolleris their morning lessounes or pairtes be himself and his doctour teach the lessounes

to the bairnes both learning Latine and Scottis vntill nyne houres therafter. *Item*, he shall enter himself and doctour and conveane the saids bairnes daylie in the saids weik dayes at ten houres befor noone awaiting vpon them and teaching them till ellevine houres, and therfra teaching and learning them to wryte, giveing them coppies and takeing compt of their wryteing till tuelve houres at noone. Item, he shall enter againe to the said scoole, the bairnes being conveanit, at half hour to tuo afternoone daylie, and attend vpon the scoole and scollares, teaching them and takeing compt of their lessounes till ane quarter of ane hour befor six at nicht, dureing the whilk quarter of ane hour he shall make ane prayer reid ane chapiter in the Bible and sing ane psalme in a pairt of the psalme booke. Item, it shall not be lesum to him to give the bairnes and scoollares the play in any dayes of the weik except vpon Tuysday and Thursday betuixt tuo and foure houres after noone and then preceislie to conveane them againe and vpon Sathurday fra tuo houres afternoone for all that nicht. And befor their going from the scoole vpon each Sathurday to give the bairnes learning Scottis each of them ane portioun of psalmes or catechisme and give ane compt therof vpon Sunday therafter after afternoone sermone. Item, each Sunday he shall conveane the saids maill bairnes at eight houres in the morning and teach them ther Sundayes lessounes of scripture and catechising till the ringing of the second bell to the kirk, at whilk tyme he shall goe to the kirk with the scoollares in comelie and decent ordour, and in tyme of preaching mark dissorderis among them with censureing of them therfor. Item, he shall conveane the saidis bairnes at ane afternoone and at the ringing of the said second bell address himself with them in maner forsaid. Item, at the ending of the afternoone sermone he shall conveane the saids maill bairnes and tak ane compt of their noittes of preaching and of their Sundayes lessounes. Item, he shall have his scooll lawes ordourlie sett doune in ane large brod and hung in the scoole for the scolleris informatioun, and for transgressing therof he shall punish them conforme to the nature and qualitie of the law. Item, he shall not remove from his charge nor goe furth of the burgh without licence of the magistrattes. . . . . Appointment of schoolmaster.

11 *May* 1649.

The haill counsell present hes concluidit to go haillilie to my lord Yester and schaw to his lordschip the wrangis done be Sir James Hay to the toun, Wrongs of the town.

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and in speciall anent the quarterings of the sojeris and trouperis, the wrangis of thair heritages and dimolisching of thair toun wall.

11 *June* 1649.

Town wall.

Hes statute and ordeanit that all and sundrie persones that hes any tenementis or yairdis adjacent to the toun wall of this burghe to repair and build the saids walles sufficientlie and proportionallie to the saids yairdis, and to red and cast away the whole red and earth vpon the outsyde of the saids walles tua ellnes at least thairfra, and that within fourtie aucht houris heirefter, ilk persone failyeand vnder the pane of fyve punds money but mitigatioun; and publicatioun heirof be maid throuch this toun be touke of drum.

2 *July* 1649.

Brighous market.

The counsell hes concluidit that the proveist and bailyeis, accumpanyit with ane grit pairt of the counsell and honest men of the burgh, to go to the vsurpit mercat of Brighous and, seing the samyn is within our liberties, to desyre the buyaris and sellaris to ansuer thame of the customes of the gudis to be sauld thairat, and lykwyis to vse thair mercattis at this burgh being the heid burgh of the schyre, conforme to the lawis and custome and our richtis thairto; and quha of the toun sall happin to refuis as they ar now nominat, viz., the proveist, bailyeis, thesaurar, dean of gild, Johnne James and Alexander Williamsones, John Plenderlaith, William Vaiche, Robert Thomsone, Johnne Patersone, Johnne Mure, sall pay ane dolar.

16 *July* 1649.

Prayers at meeting.

It is reportit be William Lowis, commissionar to the conventioun of burrows, that it is enactit be the said generall conventioun the president of euerie meiting of the counsell of ilk burgh sall say ane prayer baith at the beginning and ending of the said meiting, and in the burgh quhair the president is not able at everie generall conventioun the minister salbe imployit to do the samyn.

6 *August* 1649.

Church seat to be built.

The merchantis vpone the counsell, for thameselffis and remanent merchantis, ar content and enactis thameselffis to build ane seat in the [kirk] directlie fra the new wester loft till the new seat of the magistrattis and counsell, and the passage to be abone the clerkis seat, lykas Johnne Andro, Johnne Tuedie and John Plenderlaith, oblissis thame to furnisch and lay in tymmer and vther matterialis thairto betuixt and the [*blank*] day of August instant.

22 *January* 1650.

Javellour and knock keeper.

Alexander Williamsone, [being appointed "javellour and keper of the steipill of Pebles and javell houssis thairintill, and keiper guyder and rewler of the knock thairof, and to ring the bellis of the samyn," he] grantis him to have ressavit in his custodie and keiping the lockis kies, yronis and vtheris vnderwritten, viz., the great kie of the lock of the vtter yett of the steipill, in the nether stan yett ane plait lock with ane kie and a great sloatt, the kie of the commoun hous doore and over stair yett with a lock with a brokin kie in the thesaureris hand, the knock hous doore lock and kie, the horologe doore lock and kie, the bell hous doore lock and kie, two hinging lockis, the hespe quhairof of ane is brokin, and the thrid hinging lock in James Williamsone thesaureris handis, the lang great goad with schakellis, twa great yron ronnes, ane lowse caice of the knock, ane kie of brokshole with ane slott in the inner syd.

26 *April* 1650.

Witchcraft.

In presence of Robert Thomsone baillie in Peblis, compeirit personallie Thomas Williamsone and James Watsone burgessis of Peblis and became inactit bund and obleisste in the counsell buik of Peblis as cawtioneris conjunctlie and seueralle for Mariown Watsone in Peblis, being incarcerit within the steipill of Peblis this half yeir or thairby for allegit suspiciown of witchecraft, that the said Mariown being now vpon supplicatioun relevit out of jewle sould enter and compeir befoir the justices or commissioneris of tryell or executioun to vnderly the law, and that vpon tuentie fowr houris wairning preceislie, vnder the pane of fyve hundreth merkis to be payit be the saidis cautioneris to the provest and baillies of

Witchcraft. Peblis and thair successouris, and that in the meanetyme the said Mariown sall keip hir awin hows in silence and nocht be hard with hir nichtbouris, nother resort to kirk or mercate or transgresse to go abroad attowr her awin guther under the pane forsaid.

18 *July* 1650.

Levy of men. Ordeanes that the nyne men to go out on service to this second levie be furnished with armes, viz. :—sex muskettis, thrie pickis, nyne swordis, and that ewerie persone of the saidis nyne have in money the sowme of tuelf pundis by thair armes, and that it be brokin throw the town, and ewerie persone in the towne, except the magistrattis, pay xxiiij s. scotis.

7 *October* 1650.

Watch for the enemy's approach. The provest baillies counsell and a great pairt of the burgessis of Pebles convenit in the towne of Peblis ordeanes to keip nichtlie a strict watche, sex at the north port and the remanent at the vther portis proportionallie, with armes, to adverteis the town of the enemies approache ; ane of the town counsell nichtlie to be on the watche.

24 *October* 1650.

Scowt watche. The provest baillies counsell and a great number of the burgessis and inhabitantis of the said brucht convenit.

Ordaines a scowt watche to be keipit nightlie, and that twa horsmen be sent owt, and that ewere ane of the twa watches sall have nightlie xx s. scottis money quhilk is to be brokin throwch the inhabitantis proportionallie, and that ane of the scowtis ryd to David Heislope hows and the vther scowt to ryd to Gladhows milne dayle and report newes anent the motiown of the enemie, vtherwyes no payment for them ; and gif the scowtis sall neglect thair ordour that they be punished at the magistrattis discretioun with advyce of the counsell.

Nominattis for the scowt to ryd, *per vices*, twa of them nichtlie, thes persones : William Patersone [and eight others].

Quartering. The counsell and inhabitantis nominatis for quartering, with assistance of the magistrattis, the trowperis and sojeris herefter to be quarterit in the

town of our countie sojeris: [two persons for each of the east, south west and north west quarters northgait and Old Town]. Quartering.

Statutes and ordanes that na persone or personis quhatsumeuir within brucht in na tyme heirefter ressett vther mens guddis or put owt thair nightbouris to the enemie, vnder the pane of perjure and banishment and also payment of thair nighbouris lose, and discharges lying of any guddis of thair nighbouris or conceall vnder the lyk pane, and that na inhabitantis steill or plunder in tyme of tumultis or vther tymes vnder the lyk panes. Stealing and plundering.

And sicklyk in all quarterings of our awin trowperis and sojeris that everie inhabitant furnisch thes that salbe quarterit on them on thair awin meines and cherges, and that this act be intimat throw the town be touk of drum. Quartering.

29 *May* 1651.[1]

James Williamsone proveist of Pebles, [two bailies and four councillors], conveanit in the said proveist his hall and duelling hous at Pebles, ... hes creat and receavit Thomas Smyth, notar, clerk of the said burgh of Pebles, dureing the proveist baillies and counsell their pleasure; the said Thomas being personalie present acceptand the samyn vpon him, being sworne be the said proveist, hes gevin his oath de fideli administratione, etc. Election of clerk.

6 *June* 1651.

Ordeanes and appoyntes the persones vndernameit to try in their severall divisiones how many of Twisiltounes troope wer quarterit therin, viz., ... and to report their diligence the nixt counsell day. Twisiltounes troope.

Ratifies and approves the formar act of the dait the 24 of October last anent resetting and buying of thair neichbores goods from the enemie, and that all such buyeris or ressteres shall redeliver such goods to the awneres without any satisfactioun or payment. Resetting and buying neighbours goods.

The counsell hes ordeanit the mortificatioun vnderwritten to be insert in thair counsell book, the tenour wherof followes: Be it kend to all men be thir present letteres, we Marie and Issobell and Margaret Twedies, laufull daughteres and aires serveit to vmquhile John Tuedy schereff clerk of Pebles Mortification by Marie Isobell and Margaret Twedies.

[1] Between 1st November 1650 and this date there are no entries in the Council Record.

Mortification by Marie Isobell and Margaret Twedies.

our father befor the baillies of Pebles the day of Apryle j^m vj^c fourtie nyne yeares, as also as aires portioneres duelie serveit to vmquhile Thomas Tuedy of Whythauche our brother befor the schereff of Pebles . . . . Forsameikle as we the saids Marie Issobell and Margaret Tuedies as aires forsaids, with advyce and consent of William Lowes lait baillie and burges of Pebles spous to me the said Issobell Tuedy for his enteres, have out of godlie zeall pietie and conscience resolved to dote and mortifie the landes and vtheres vnderwrittin, being moved herevnto of our awin frie motive will for sundrie godlie considerationes tuiching ws : Therfor [wit ye us] to have given grantit doted and mortified, lykeas we be the tenour hereof give grant dote and freelie mortifie, in all tyme comeing for evir to the augmentatioun of the scoolmaisteris fie and stipend of the scoole of the burgh of Pebles for educationn of the youth and children of the said burgh and schirefdome of Pebles and traineing them vp in learning and vertew, vnder the provisiones alwayes afterspecifiet, all and haill thes our three fourt partes of the lands of Frankisland with the pertinents. . . . . and sielyke all and haill thes our three fourt partes of the lands in Dalatho ewest the burgh of Pebles. . . . . and sielyke all and haill thes barnes tenementes and houssis with the yairdes perteaning thairto lyand in the Northgait of the said burgh of Pebles ewest the North Port . . . Provyding alwayes [that "Sir Michaell Nasmyth of Posso knicht and William Tuedy of Wrea our cuisignes, and William Lowes," who where requested to set the lands and others and to bestow the mails and duties upon the schoolmaster as part of his stipend,] or any tuo of them have voices in and consenting to the ellectione of the saids scoolmaisteres, vtherwayes if they shalbe denyed to have voyces and consent that dureing that tyme the saids mailles dueties and fermes shalbe offerit imployed bestowed and given to the sessione of Pebles, whilkes the said sessione shall termlie be the advyce of the said Sir Michaell Nasmyth William Tuedy and William Lowes, or any tuo of them or their forsaids, distribute to the honest poore persones of the paroche of Pebles burgh and land dureing the tyme that the said gentlemen and their forsaids not haveing voices in the electione of the said schoolmaister and vaiking of the said scoole throw wanting of ane qualified scoolmaister. . . . . [Dated 21 July 1649.]

6 *October* 1651.

The counsell nominattes the persones vndernameit, viz., [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town] in assisting and concuring with the magistrattes of this burgh for quartering of souldiores as occures. Quartering soldiers.

8 *December* 1651.

The said counsall ordaines the haill pickis and muskatis boucht be the town from my lord Yester to be searchit and sene betuixt and the nixt counsall day. Picks and muskets.

The counsale thinkis fit that Robert Thomsoun with any wther go in to lovtennent generall Lambert and regrait the lossis which was committit be the Inglis armie, for preventing of locall quartering, and repeyt to thame the burdene of coall candell, and to tak in instructiones. Loss by English army.

26 *December* 1651.

The counsell hes concluidit and ordeanes thes persones who receavit the airmes conforme to the roll and had them in their possessioun and not gevin out to leavies, whither plunderit be the enemie or not, to pay the full pryces of the samyn, and they to be exemptit in contributeing for the armes gevin out be publict ordour, and thes armes gevin out be ordour to leavies to be payit be the inhabitantes outputteres therof and their contributeres (exceptand as is befor exceptit) whoise proportiounes ar to be payit out of the tounes rent. Arms.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit to trye what persones within the toune hes gevin out the airmes to leavies by publict ordour, and who wer contributteres with them and who reteinit the same in thair possessioun, as also to collect and ingather the pryces of the saidis armes from the inhabitantes conforme to the forsaid act, viz: [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town], and to report vpon Moonday nixt.

29 *December* 1651.

Appoyntes Robert Thomsone lait baillie to goe in to Edinburgh to leivtennent generall Lambert and regrait the lossis susteanit be the toune by the Inglisch armie, conforme to the supplicatioun and instructiones formarlie gevin in. Town's losses.

Carrying commissions and letters.

It is concluidit be the counsell that thes inhabitantes within the toun who hes horsses furnish and give their hors, and thes who wantes hors to furnish footmen vpon thair awin charges ordorlie as is aftermentionat without exemptioun of any persones, viz., the north west quarter first, the southwest quarter nixt, the Old Toun thrid, the eist quarter fourth and north quarter fyft, for carieing of commissioumes letteres or doing of vtheres buissines for the vtilitie of the toune, ilk persone contraveinand vnder the paine of fyve pundes *toties quoties* vnforgiven and wairding of their persones till the samyn be payit.

Picks and muskets.

Appoyntes the proveist baillies and William Lowes to speik Williame Lyle of Bassendean anent the pickes and musquettes.

Item, to wryte to my lord Tueiddaill anent the picks and musketts; baillie Andro and William Lowes to meit after noone thairanent.

Leading stones from Cademur.

Appoyntes John Lowes proveist to speake the herdes of Kaidmure anent the stones led off their lands of Caidmure be John Scott of Hundilshope or his tenments, and if they at any tyme heirafter leid any mae stanes that they advertise the proveist, and wpon advertisment the proveist with foure or fyve of the counsell with ane notar to stop them and take instruments.

Anent reparation of the church.

The counsell, takeing in consideratioun the overtures proponit anent the reparatione of the church and representit to them be John Andro baillie, William Lowes and John Tuedie younger, in ansuer wherto they ar most willing (according to the old formar custome) to repare the tuo westmost windowes and the fabrick of the said churche; item, they ar willing to repare and vphold their pairt of the churche according as the burgh of Selkirk which is ane more able burgh than this; item, they find it is incumbent to the titular to repare ane pairt of the church as his predecessores wer wont to doe, and if they wer takismen as otheres ar they ar most willing to vndergoe their proportione conforme.

12 *January* 1652.

Monthly Assessment.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit for proportionating the second monethes assessment, viz., [two persons for each of the four quarters and Old Town], and to concure with the magistrattes for quartering of the souldiores that shall come to the toune.

22 *March* 1652.

Appoyntes David Plenderlaith, John Plenderlaith and John Tuedy younger to speak my lord Lintoun and Sir John Vaitche anent the few dueties of Innerlethan and anent the Eist Wark which is lyklie to fall, and to report. Innerleithen, East Wark.

2 *April* 1652.

The counsall, takeing in consideratioun how the buriall place of the dead is trode vpon be beastes by reasone of the want of ane . . . dyke round about the same, (whilk is also takin in consideratioun be the heritores in the landwart paroche), the counsall for their pairt enactes and ordeanes that all the inhabitantes within this burgh haveing hors leid each hors six loades of clay, beginnand vpon Moonday nixt for the first quarter, and so furth each day therafter throw the quarteres of the toune, and appoyntes overseeris for the quarters, viz. . . . . ilk persone falyeand to pay tue[lve schillings] Scots vnforgevin; and thes persones who wants hors [in the] seuerall quarteris eache familie be themselves or their servantes to carie and bear stones be the space of three houres to the said dyke the dayes befor appoyntit vnder the lyke pane, and the quartermaisteris befor nameit to sie it fulfillit. Burial place.

12 *April* 1652.

Produceit be John Tuedie younger ane discharge subscrinit be my lord earle of Tueiddaill of the principall sowme of 895 merkes whilk was adebtit be the counsall of Pebles to his lordschip for certane armes receavit be the inhabitantes of the said toune conforme to ane band; whilk discharge is deliverit to the present thesaurer and layd vp be him in the chartor chist. Earle Tueiddaillis discharge.

Produceit be John Andro baillie charge and discharge of Januar and Februares last assessment, as also the discharge of j° fourtie pundes receavit from the schyre for coall and candle for sevine weekes preceiding the first of Marche last, whilk he hes deliverit to thes inhabitantes vpon whom the souldiores wer quarterit, and thairfor the counsell discharges him of his intromission therwith. Assessment, coal and candle.

30 *April* 1652.

Fair days.

The proveist baillies and counsell, considering that the prophanatioun of the Sabboth is occasioned by keeping of faires vpon Satterday and Moonday, have resolved to change all such faires within this burgh that formarlie wer keipt vpon Moonday or shall hereafter happin to fall vpon Satterday or Moonday, and therfor appoyntes and ordeanes the faire day of this burgh commonlie callit Trinitie Moonday to be keept and holdin this present year vpon Tuesday nixt and imediatlie thairefter following, and so furth all otheres faires that shall hereafter happin to fall vpon Satterday or Moonday to be keept in all tyme comeing vpon Tuesday nixt immediatlie thairafter following.

10 *May* 1652.

Purs cutter.

Ordeanes James Campbell purs cutter to stand at the croce the morne from elleving to tuelve hores bound with a tow to the stalk of the croce, and ane paper on his head, for cutting James Johnstoun in Dawik his purs on the second day of Maij instant.

13 *December* 1652.

Expense of quartering a regiment.

Alexander Lawder to produce ane compt of the groattes auchtand be the heritouris in the landwart paroche for quartering Twisiltoune's regiment, this day 8 dayes, to the effect the same may be payit to the inhabitantes, loseres thereof.

11 *April* 1653.

Quartering soldiers.

Appoyntes the persones vndernameit, together with the baillies, to conveane and call befor them the landlordes within this burgh who quarterit Capitane Deane and Capitane Colmes' troopes, and tak vp ane exact compt of their quarterings and the monie receavit; and to break the lossis vpon the haill toune, viz., [two persons for each of the east, south-west, north-west and north quarters, and two for the Old Town]; to meit vpon Thursday nixt, in the morning; the landlords to give oath vpon their compts.

21 *September* 1653.

Increase of monthly assessment.

In respect ther is added monethlie to the toune's assessment tuentie-four punds more then was before; therfor, and for preventing of quartering, the

counsell ordeanes the inhabitantes to pay the same proportiones they payed in the moneth of Julij last, and the theasurer to pay twelve pundes, which, with what is alreadie collected from the inhabitantes, will compleit the monethe's assessment of Julij and August last by past, being monethlie thrie-scoire pundes, with certificatioun to them that failyeaes, trooperes wil-be quartered vpon them. Increase of monthly assessment.

2 *September* 1657.

The counsell finding by act of parliament that ther is imposed vpon the toun twelve punds nyne shillings nyne pence sterling, as their pairt of the fyfteine thowsand punds sterling imposed vpon the natioun for the Spanishe war, therfor they resolve and ordeane that the tuelve punds sterling of abaitmentes conteaned in the formar act [abating monthly assessment] be converted for payment of the said sowme for the Spanish war, and the thesaurer to advance the od nyne shillings nyne pence sterling. Contribution towards expenses of Spanish War.

8 *September* 1657.

That pairt of Captane Blissett's troope come to Peebles; removed 17th October 1657. Movements of troops.

22 *October* 1657.

That pairt of Captane Turnour's troop, in Lilburne's regiment, come to this burgh; removed Weddensday, 19th May 1658.

24 *September* 1658.

The forsaid pairtie entered to their winter quarter; removed Sonday, 8th May 1659.

26 *May* 1662.

Ordeanes Thursday nixt, the 29th of May, being his Majestie happie Restoratioun day, to be observed and keept, conforme to the act of parliament in all poynts, and intimatioun therof to be made throw the toune. Restoration.

24 *July* 1665.

The plague in London.

In obedience of ane act of his Majestie's privie counsell, 12 Julii instant, bearing that the sicknes and plague in London is daylie increaseing and breaking out in severall places of the kingdome of Ingland, do thairfor, in his Majesties name, prohibit and discharge the inhabitants of this burgh to trade or commerce with the inhabitants or merchants of Ingland till the first November nixt, and ay and whill this restraint be taken off, or to pas outwith this schyre without a testimoniall from the magistratts, or returne without a testimoniall from the sheriff, justice of peace, or magistratts, that the place wher they wer is frie of any suspicione of the plague; and that no inhabitant resett or receave in ludging any strangers without sufficient testimoniall, vnder the paine of losing their lyves and goods, conforme to the said act; and ordeanes the inhabitantes to be readie to guard and watche the portes, toure about, as they shalbe ordered be the magistratts; and intimatioun hereof, etc.

29 *March* 1670.

Town wall.

Ordeanes Gawin Thomsone, thesaurer, to poynt and mend the hoilles of the outsyde of the toun wall betuixt the Eist Port and the turne of the wall, befor the beginning the beir seed. And ordeanes all burgessis haveing heidrowmes bordering to the toun wall to mend and repair their pairts of the wall betuixt and Lambnes nixt with lyme and stone, vnder the penaltie of fyve pundes, ilk persone contraveenand, besyde the performance.

28 *November* 1681.

Administering the test.

The which day, William Plenderleith proveist, John Hope baillie, and John Govan thesaurer, produced ane act of his Royal Highnes and lords of his majestie's privy counsell, proceiding upon ane supplication given in be them for themselves and in name of the remanent magistrats and counsell of the said burgh, of the dait the tuenty-fourth day of November j^{m} vj^{c} fourscore one yeirs, whereby his royall highnes and the saids lords of his maiestie's privy counsell, in regaird that the said proveist baillies and thesaurer had taken and signed the test befor one of the counsell's number

commissionat for that effect, does authorize and commissionat them to administrat the said test to the remanent magistrats counsellors and clerk of the said burgh, and to sie them tak and signe the samen, and appoints them to report ane accompt thairof to the counsell, betuixt and the thrid Thursday of December neixt. In obedience to quhich commission, the said William Plenderleith, proveist, haveing caused wairne the counsellors to meit within the Tolbuith of Peebles this day in order to thair administration of the said test to them, and who being accordingly mett the said proveist did interrogat them thairanent, as followes—viz., John Hay baillie, who wes content to tak it; William Scott dean-of-gild, who refused it; James Halden, who wes content to take it; John Borrowman, who wes content to tak it; Alexander Jonkisone, who refused it; William Hislope, who wes content to tak it; James Greive, who refused it; Adam Lytle, who wes content to tak it; Archibald Sheill, who refused it; John Jonkisone, who wes content to tak it; Thomas Chisholme, who wes content to tak it; William Wyllie deacon of the weavers, who wes content to tak it; Thomas Hope, who wes content to tak it; and John Tod, who took it. Administering the test.

1 *March* 1682.

The counsell haveing considered the abuses and afronts committed against the magistrats this day by William Porteous, in saying openly that the proveist would be lyk Proveist Dickisone who wes sticked; and Thomas Stoddart, Alexander Jonkisone, John Tweiddy, Andrew Halden, and several vthers, who opposed the magistrats in a fenced court quhen they were rouping the common grass in obedience to ane act of counsell, and the vther insolent and uncivil languadge of the saids Andrew Halden and William Porteous, they did put the saids Andrew Halden and William Porteous under areist in the Tolbuith . . . . . Abuses against the magistrates

18 *October* 1682.

Patrick Brotherstaines merchand, being accused for not frequenting the church since September last, confest he wes only once in the kirk since, and therefor is found guilty of absence for six Lord's dayes, and therefor fynes Compulsory church attendance.

Compulsory church attendance.

him in twelve pounds Scots, and ordaines him to ly in prison quhill he pay it.[1]

21 *April* 1684.

Compulsory attendance at burials.

The counsell allowes the magistrats, upon any invitation to considerable persones burialls, to wairne ten of the most substantial burgessis to attend them to goe to the saids burialls, als weill those that wants horses as those that hes, and ilk absent to be fyned in half a merk, and to be poynded thairfor, and this act to goe orderly round the toun.

29 *September* 1684.

List of town council.

John earle of Tueiddale and John lord Hay of Yester, extraordinary. William Plenderleith, provost; John Govan, Adam Lytle, bailies; James Halden, dean of guild; Thomas Hope, treasurer; John Hope, William Scott, James Greive, John Hay, John Borrowman, Alexander Jonkisone, William Hislope, John Tod, Thomas Hope, John Jonkisone, James Horsbrugh, Patrick Govan, councillors.

Taking the test.

The proveists, baillies, thesaurer, and dean of gild, being new elected, took, upon ther knees, the test and subscrivet the samen.

26 *October* 1685.

The carrier's badge.

The counsell have this day payed eight pounds for a badge of silver, quhich they have given to Robert Hamilton, dureing his continuancy of carying, to be maid furthcuming to the toun quhenever he failles to travel.[2]

27 *September* 1686.

This day the proveist produced a letter from the Privy Counsill discharging

[1] Numerous cases of the like nature occur in the court book at this period. In some instances the charge of non-attendance is met by the plea of sickness or other necessary cause of absence, and a promise to 'keep the kirk in time comeing;' and in others the parties are found 'orderly and absolved.' The main object of enforced attendance in the parish kirk appears to have been the prevention of 'conventicles' and other non-conformist gatherings.

[2] Along with the records and charters recently discovered, there was found a silver arm-plate, on which the Burgh arms were engraved. That this plate is the 'badge' referred to in the text there seems no reason to doubt, from the material and apparent age of the plate, and also from the fact of there having been attached to it a card, on which were written the words 'Town carrier,' adhibited probably when that office gave place to a more modern institution, and the badge was laid aside.

the electiones for this yeir till forder order, quhairof the tenor followes :— Affectionat friends, whereas his Majestie hes, by his royall letter daitit at the Court of Windsore the tuelth day of September instant, signified that all electiones in royal burrowes be suspended until his royall pleassour be knowen thairanent, you are therfor in persuance thairof heirby expressly prohibited and discharged, as ye will ansuer att your perrill, to elect any new magistrats or counsell within your burgh for this yeir; and you and the present counsell are by his Maiesties autoritie heirby authorized to continow and exerce as magistrates and counsell untill his Maiestie sall signify his further pleasour. Signed att command and in name of his Maiestie's privy counsell, by your affectionate friend. *Sic. subr.* PERTH, cancell., I. P. D., Edr., 16th Sept., 1686. Election of new council discharged.

27 *February* 1689.

Wheras the lords and gentlemen of the kingdome of Scotland met at Whytehall the tenth day of January last, at desyre of his highness then Prince of Orange, now King of England France and Ireland and dominions and territories thereto belonging, did give his highnes hearty thanks for his pious and generous undertakings for preserving the protestant religione and the lawes and libertyes of these kingdoms, and in order to the attaining these ends did desyre and advyse his highnes to take upon him the administratione of publict affairs both civil and military, the disposall of the publict revenewes and fortresses of this kingdome, and the doing every thing that is necessary for the preservation of the peace of the samen untill a generall meeting of the states of the natione, which they humbly desyred his highnes to call to be holden at Edinburgh the fourteenth day of March nixt; and his highnes being desyrous to doe every thing that may tend to the good and happines of this kingdome, hes therfor by his letter direct to the toune clerk of the burgh of Peebles, dated at St. James's the fifth day of February j^{m} vj^{c} eighty nyne, appoynting the said meeting of the Estats of this kingdome at Edinburgh the said fourtenth day of March j^{m} vj^{c} eighty nyne years, in persuance and according to the tenor of the said advyce, requyre the said toune clerk upon the recept of the forsaid letter to make publict intimatione of the same upon the first mercat day at the mercat cross of the royall burgh of Peebles in the usuall maner, and to appoint a day, to be at least fyve dayes after the said intimation, for the haill bur- Commission to convention of estates.

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gesses to meet and choice ther commissioners to the said meeting of the estaits at Edinburgh the forsaid day, for securing of the protestant religion and restoring of the lawes and libertyes of this kingdome according to his highnes declarationes, and ordering a coppie of the said letter and intimatione conteaning the said day of electiones to be left affixt on the said croce, the burgesses and commissioners being protestants, without any other reservatione or limitatione: [In obedience whereto William Williamsone, town clerk, having received the said letter on 17th February, intimated the same as directed and appointed this day for the election; according to which letter and intimatione] we the haill protestant burgesses of the said burgh of Peebles, who have testified ourselves to be burgesses by producing to the said William Williamsone, clerk, extracts of our burges tickets furth of the records of this burgh, being this day convened by the authority forsaid, by the plurality of our voices have elected . . . . John Mure merchant, burges of the said burgh of Peebles, (whome we testifie to be a protestant fearing God) our commissioner to the said convention of estats.

13 *January* 1692.

Call to Mr. William Veitch to be minister of Peebles.

The magistrats and counsell nominats and appoints John Mure late provcist of Peebles, and Archibald Sheill baillie ther, to goe to Edinburgh and attend the general assembly, and to act in thair name for making effectuall the call givin be them and the rest of the heritors of the parish of Peebles to Mr. William Veitch to be minister of Peebles, and to doe everything requisit and necessar thairanent sicklyk and in the samen manner as they themselves might doe if they were all personally present. [1]

29 *June* 1702.

Oaths of allegiance and assurance to Queen Anne.

The provest baillies dean of guild thesaurer and counsell of Peebles, with their clerk procuratouris and officeris, under subscribers, conveined for taking the oath of alleadgance and assurance to her Majestie Qween Anne, in obedience to ane proclamatione of counsel, dated the tuenty-fourth of March last j^{m} vij^{c} and two yeiris, suore the said oath of alleadgance as followes:—We doe sincerely promise and suear that we will be faithfull and bear true alleadgance to her Majestie Qween Anne. So help us God. [Here follow the signatures.] Follows the Assurance:—We doe, in the sincerity of our

[1] Veitch was the first minister of Peebles under the Revolution settlement.

heart, assert acknowledge and declair that her Majestie Qween Anne is the only laufull undoubted Soveraigne of this realme, alseweill *de jure* that is of right, Qween, as *de facto* that is in the possessione and exercise of the government; and therefore, we doe sincerely and faithfully promise and engadge that we will, with heart and hand, lyfe and goods, mentain and defend her Majestie's title and government against the late King James, his adherents and all other enemies who, either by open or secret attempts, shall disturb or disquiet her Majestie in the possessione and exercise therof. [Here follow the signatures.] Oaths of allegiance and assurance to Queen Anne.

24 *October* 1706.

Nominatis provest Tweedie commissioner for this burgh to the generall convention of royall burrowes to meet at Edinburgh the tuenty-nynth day of October instant, in pursuance of ane act of the saidis royall borouwes, dated the eight of Jully last, recommending to Sir Sammwell M'Clellan, present provest of Edinburgh, to call the said convention incase the great concerne of the Union with England should happen to be laid befor and considered by the parliament, and a letter from the said Sir Sammwell M'Clellan direct to them theranent; and appoyntis the clerk to extend his commission accordingly. Union with England.

14 *April* 1708.

The magistrats and councile of Peebles, being conveened, have resolved to elect Collonell George Douglas, brother germane to the earle of Mortoun, commissioner to the first British Parliament nixt to sitt, so far as their vote can make him, and resolves and authorises the persone who shall represent them as one of the four burghs in order to ellect a member to the parliament forsaid, to vote for the said Collonell George Douglas for their pairt and non other, the counsell adhereing to him allennerly, he standing by church and state as now established, serveing gratis, and walking by instructions. Proposed member of the first British parliament.

24 *May* 1708.

The councill being befor qualified by taking and subscryving the oath of abjuration conforme to the act of parliament of Great Britain, have chosen Robert Forrester present provost of Peebles, their commissioner to Commissioner appointed to choose a member of parliament.

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meet with the other commissioneris of the burghs of the district at Linlithgow, now the presiding burgh of their district, upon the twenty-sixt day of May instant, and then to choose their burges for the parliament of Great Brittain to be held at Westminster on the eight day of Jully next, and authorizes the proveist to vote for Collonell Douglas for their pairt, and the clerk to extend his commission.

1 *November* 1710.

Member of parliament for the shire.

The magistrates and counsell of this burgh, considering that the provosts of this burgh have allwayes been in use as barronis and freeholderis of Sheillgreen or Cademure, or other landis quhairunto the toune hes right, to meet and vote for a commissioner to bygone parliaments, with the other barronis and freeholderis of this shyre, and that ther is a meeting of the saids barronis, upon the third day November instant, for choosing a knight to represent this shyre of Peebles in the ensewing parliament to be held at the city of Westminster upon the tuenty-fyft day of November next; doe nominat and appoint John Broune, present provost of Peebles, as baron of Sheillgreen or Caidmure, to meet with the other barronis of the said shyre, and there vote for a knight to represent the shyre of Peebles in the said ensewing parliament; and ordanes the clerk to extend his commissione, and this shall be his warrand.

APPENDIX.

No. I.

RENTAL of the prebendary of the altar of St Mary, in the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peebles.

COPIA rentalis prebendarii altaris Sancte Marie extracta per me Joannem Tuedie, notarium publicum, de extractu et vera copia erectionis ecclesie collegiate beate Andrie de Peblis quondam Joannis Allane, notarii publici ac communis scribe de Peblis, sub [ejus] signo et subscriptione manualibus ; cum quo extractu et hec copia tenet in omnibus.

Prebenda quarta, que intitulabitur prebenda Sancte Marie maioris, cuius possessori spectabunt fructus sequentes:—Inprimis, vnum tenementum soluens xl s. jacentem in lie Northgait occidentali parte eiusdem, inter terras Thome Turnet, ex boriali parte, et terras Sancti Christophori australi parte, et terras Davidis Robisoun occidentali parte ; Item, vna roda terre nominata le Yairdland jacens apud borealem partem dicti burgi et prope aquam de Peblis;

COPY of the rental of the prebendary of the altar of St Mary extracted by me John Tuedie, notary public, from the extract and true copy of the erection of the collegiate church of St Andrew of Peblis by the deceased John Allan, notary public and common clerk of Peblis, under his sign and subscription manual ; with which extract and copy this agrees in all things.

The Fourth Prebend, which is called the prebend of St Mary major, to whose possessor belongs the following rents :—First, a tenement yielding forty shillings in the Northgait on the west side thereof between the lands of Thomas Turnet on the north side, the lands of St Christopher on the south side, and the lands of David Robisoun on the west side ; Item, a rood of land called the Yardland, lying on the north side of the said burgh and near the water of Peiblis ; Item, an acre of land

Item, vnam acram terrarum jacentem prope ecclesiam Sancti Andree austrae parte eiusdem infra terras beate Marie de Geddes ile ; Item, vna roda terrarum nominata Marie Virginis roda jacentem in boreali parte terrarum de Dalatho ; Item, iiij s. annui redditus magni tenementi Sancti Michaelis ; Item, xviij s. iiij d. terrarum Davidis Robisoun jacentium in lie Briggait, inter terras Joannis Hog orientali parte et Domini Joannis Dikesoun occidentali parte ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Joannis Steinsoune australi parte vie regie, inter terras Patrici Wilsoun occidentali parte et Willielmi Bell orientali parte ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Joannis Johnestoun jacentium apud finem orientalem dicti burgi, ex parte australi vie regie eiusdem ; Item, vj s. viij d. terrarum Willielmi Bell jacentium australi parte vie regie, inter terras Domini Roberti Hoip occidentali et Archibaldi Lowis orientali partibus ; Item, v s. terrarum Joannis Hay jacentium australi parte vie regie inter terras Thome Foster orientali et Joannis Greif occidentali parte ; Item, ij s. terrarum Willielmi Lowis jacentium australi parte vie regie adversus capellam sancte Marie ; Item, vj s. annui redditus terrarum Andree Allexander jacentium boreali parte vie regie, inter terras Sancti Michaelis orientali, et Roberti Patersoun occidentali partibus ; Item, iiij s. terrarum Jacobi Dikesoun jacentium in boreali

lying near the church of St Andrew on the south side thereof, within the lands of St Mary of Geddes Ile ; Item, a rood of land, called St Mary's Rood, lying on the east side of the lands of Dalatho ; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the great tenement of St Michael ; Item, eighteen shillings and four pence from the land of David Robisoun lying in the Briggait, between the lands of John Hog on the east part and Sir John Dikisoun on the west part ; Item, four shillings from the land of John Stevenson on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Patrick Wilsoun on the west, and William Bell on the east parts; Item, four shillings from the land of John Johnestoun lying at the east end of the said burgh, on the south side of the highway thereof: Item, six shillings and eight pence from the land of William Bell lying on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Sir Robert Hoip on the west and of Archibald Lewis on the east parts ; Item, five shillings from the land of John Hay lying on the south side of the highway, between the lands of Thomas Foster in the east and John Greif on the west parts ; Item, two shillings from the land of William Lowis, lying on the south side of the highway opposite the chapel of Saint Mary ; Item, six shillings of annualrent from the land of Andrew Alexander, lying on the north side of the highway between the lands of Saint Michal on the east and Robert Paterson on the west part; Item, four shillings from the land of James Dikesoun lyeing on the north side of the highway, between the

parte vie regie, inter terras Willielmi Geddes occidentali et Martini Gledstanes orientali partibus; Item, xv s. annui redditus tenementi Archidiaconi Glasguensis jacentis in antiqua villa de Peblis; Item, iiij s. terrarum Ecclesie Sancte Crucis annui redditus nominatarum Gilliesland jacentium in occidentali parte vie regie de Northgait, inter terras Joannis Hoip australi, et Roberti Hislope boreali partibus; Item, ij s. de tenemento Caverhill nominato jacente in antiqua villa de Peblis adversus tenementum Archidiaconi vnacum toto illo tenemento de Caverhill; Item ij s. de Smaillisland jacente in antiqua villa de Peblis, australi parte vie regie eiusdem; Item, ij s. terrarum Roberti Hislope jacentium in occidentali parte de Northgait, inter terras ecclesie Sancte Crucis australi et Georgii Young boreali partibus; Item, iiij s. annui redditus de horto Domini Eduardi Patinsoun jacente in le Nedder Briggait; Item, vj s. annui redditus nominati Gledstanesland jacente boreali parte vie regie prope terras Sanctorum Petri et Pauli ex parte occidentali; Item, ij s. annui redditus terrarum Mathei Elphingstoun in lie Northgait; Item, vj s. viij d. terrarum Willielmi Hanyng in fine orientalis partis vie crucis burgi et boreali parte vie regie eiusdem, inter terras Joannis Newtoun orientali et Thome Smyth occidentali partibus; Item, v s. annui redditus terrarum

lands of William Geddes on the west and Martin Gledstanes on the east parts; Item, fifteen shillings of annualrent from the tenement of the archdeacon of Glasgow lying in the old town of Peeblis; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the land of the church of Holyrood named Gilliesland, lying on the west side of the highway of the Northgait, between the lands of John Hoip on the south and Robert Hislope on the north parts; Item, two shillings from the tenement called Caverhill, lying in the old town of Peblis, opposite the tenement of the Archdeacon, together with the whole tenement of Caverhill; Item, two shillings from Smallisland, lying in the old town of Peblis on the south side of the highway thereof; Item, two shillings from the land of Robert Hislope lying on the west side of the Northgait, between the lands of the church of Holyrood on the south and George Young on the north parts; Item, four shillings of annualrent from the yard of Sir Edward Patinsoun lying in the Nedder Briggait: Item, six shillings of annualrent from the land called Gledstanesland, lying on the north side of the highway near the lands of Saints Peter and Paul on the west side; Item, two shillings of annualrent from the land of Mathew Elphingstoun in the Northgait; Item, six shillings and eight pence from the land of William Hanyng, at the east end of the Crossgate of the burgh and south side of the highway thereof, between the lands of John Newtoun on the east and Thomas Smyth on the west

Alexandri Kirk jacentium in via crucis borialis ex australi parte vie regia eiusdem ; Item de communia per predicessores nostros xl s. ; Item, de rebus nostris communibus, annuatim sex libras monete, ad duos anni terminos soluendas per thesaurarium nostrum. Idemque prebendarius in grammatica gregorium [cantum et] discantum eruditus bene et sancte conversionis ad nostram donationem, admissionemque preposito et capituli. Extractum de prefata erectione per me Joannem Tuedie notarium publicum, sub meis signo et subscriptione manualibus. Sic subscribitur : Ita est, Joannes Tuedie, clericus Glasguensis diocesis, regie auctoritate notarius publicus, manu propria, testantibus his meis signo et subscriptione manualibus.

parts ; Item, five shillings of annualrent from the land of Alexander Kirk lying in the street at the Market Cross, on the south side of the highway thereof ; Item, from the common land by our predecessors, forty shillings ; Item, from our common good, six pounds of money yearly, to be paid at two terms in the year by our treasurer. And the said prebendary who must be learned in grammar and the Gregorian chant, and of good and holy conversation, is to be presented by us, and admitted by the provost and chapter. Extracted from the foresaid erection by me John Tuedie, notary public, under my sign and subscription manual. Signed : So it is. John Tuedie, clerk of the diocese of Glasgow, notary public by royal authority, with my own hand, witnessing these my sign and subscription manual.

No. II.

EXTRACTS FROM THE ACCOUNTS OF THE BURGH OF PEEBLES.

10th November 1554.

The delinerance the x day of Nowember in the yeir of God j m v c and liiij yeiris:—

Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis to Johnne Stodart for stray to theik the myle with, ... xl s.

Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis to Besse Baird for ane desgown in Sir Johne Allane chalmer, ... xx s.

Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyes to ane powrsont that warnit yow to the perlament, ... ij s.

To James Wylsown and Stewin Robesown for fowre dayis bein in Edinburgh quhan thay sowld haif haiden the perlament, . . . xxvj s. viij d.

Item, deliuerit yat command of the prowest and bailyeis for ane instroment takin in to Sanct Androis Keirk that nane deliuerit ane paney for the Cowmone Strowder, ... iiij d.

Deliuerit to ane powrsefand quhane ye wair sowmand to the pairlament to Edinburgh, ... ij s.
Deliuerit to Johne Stewart for mendin of the Est Port, . . ij s.
Deliuerit to James Wylsown and Stewin Robesoun for v dayis bein yat the pertament, ... xlviij s. iiij d.
Deliuerit to William Patersoun for gangin abowt Sownop Commown yat Paishe, xij d.
Item, to Johne Wychtman and his collegis at the first day of trew with my lord, ... iij li vj s. viij d.
To ane porsefand quhane he sowmownd the bailyeis to the cheker, . . ij s.
Deliuerit to Thomas Twede, Nycholl Waiche, Johne Fresaill, quhane thay raid to the day of trew, ... xl s.
Deliuerit to James Pownt for viij dayis lawbor yat the breig and at the croce, xxiiij s.
Deliuerit to Adam Gellis and Mowngo Weilliamsown for the [carrying] of the Croce Keirk lyder to the breig, ... iiij d.
Deliuerit yat command of prowest and bailyes quhan thay wer yat the scheker to the clerkis and to the portowr, ... iiij s.
Item, for paper and ink to wreat your compts with, . . vj s. viij d.
Deliuerit to William Smayle of Sanct Lenerdis for ane schameber to the pyper, xv s.

Michaelmas 1623 *to Michaelmas* 1624.

December 12th. Gewine to John Frank to by oyle dolie to the knok, xxvj s. viij d.
Gewine to James Haldine for ane quheill barra to cairrie staines to the calsa, ... xvj s.
19th. Gewine to Marriane Gewane quhen the proweist and bailyes lewikit the cowmane kist, for sax pyntis aill, ... xij s.
Item for candill, ... ij s.
21st. Gewine to Cirstiane Hay quhen the persone come hame with John Mickall, his dechairge, being in companie the persone the proweist and the balyeis, payit, ... xiiij s.
23d. Gewine to John Tuedy merchand for four foddome of cordis to flichter Thomas Pattersone, pryce, ... v s. iiij d.
Item, for ane candill quhen thay rypit the hons, ... iiij d.
Item, gewine that samyne day to Cristiane Haye at command of the proweist and bailyeis quhen Thomas Pattersone was excicuite, to the officeris and sindry vtheris to hire for meit and drink, ... xl s.
January 24. For tua bread, to Makwat quhen he scoirgit Cleirrie, pryce, ij s.
Item, for ane foddome of toweis to flichter him, to John Tuedy merchand, vj d.
February 10. To Alexander Fell and John Gibsone to cairrie ane cripill callit Scott to the Eschillis, ... iiij s.
For tua pound of ierne to mend the schaikellis of the nock that James Geddis had brokine quhen he brak waird, pryce the ierne and the wark, vj s.

To John Haldine for going in to the steippill winddo to oppine the doore, iiij s.
To John Lowes drvmer to bye ane pair of schone, . . . vj s.
March 12. Gewine, at command, of Alexander Muir bailye, being in companie with Pattrik Waitch and Archbald Frank, quhen Mr John Ker com to the towne and grantit thame licence that thay sowld carrie the prisoneris na forder nor Selkirk, payit to Cirstiane Schisholme, . . . iij li xij s.
15th. Gewine to John Dikeisone, John Lowes and Pattrik Pattersone, to ryde to Jedbruch with the prissoneris, for thair waidgies, . . xxvij li.
Item, gewine for meitt and drink quhen the prissoneris was transportit out of gaiwill to Selkirk, ... xij s.
Item, gewine to Pattrik Pattersone for the depursmentis he hade depursit in Selkirk and for fieing of hors to the prissoneris out of Selkirk to Jedbruch, vj li xiiij s.
Item, gewine to John Tuedy for four foddome of cordis to flichter the prisoneris, quhen thay war cairrit away, pryce . . . . v s. iiij d.
Item, gewine for ane candill quhen Robert Tuedy was put in the steippill, iiij d.
16th. Gewine to Gilbert Williamsone for tua halbertis to the tua offeiceris, pryce . . . . . vj li xiij s. iiij d.
Item, to Alexander Stodart for hame bringing of thame, . . iiij s.
Item, to John Lawsone in Craigemiller for tua nowe staineis to the Ride Milne, xx li
Item, for the kairteine, aill, ... xxiiij s.
Item, gewine to the kairter for hame bringing of thame, . . xx li.
20th. Gewine to Jenat Fleming for tua woindein scheitis to the twa prissoneris that dieit in waird, ... xxiiij s.
Item, to Mergrat Kide for woinding of thame, . . . vj s.
April 3. Gewine quhen Mr James Ingillis come to tak infeftment for me Laday Yester, for ane morneing drink, to Cirstane Hay, . . xxx s.
25th. Gewine to the man that brocht the schairge about the borroweis, xij s.
May 9th. Gewine to James Haldine in Northgett and John Geillis and Johne Horsbruik for vpbringing of thrie of the gritt trieis, for ewerie hors aucht schilling of thair four hors, summa . . . . iij li xvj s.
Item, Gewine to laird Bullo to bring vp the vther tua trieis with his hors and his oxine, pryce ewerie raike thretie tua s., summa . . iij li viij s.
18th. Gewine to the landemeris at command of the prowest and bailyeis for going about the Eschillie cowmane and Kaidmure and Hamilltone, to William Tuadell, John Tempill, Thomas Willsone, Steine Thomsone, Andro Robeine and myselfe, ... iiij li x s.
Gewine to William Geddes [and nine others] for delfing of faill about the maircheis, tua dayis, ... iij li x s.
Item, to the drummer thrie dayis, ... xx s.
Item to the pyper at command of the prowest James Williamsone, . vj s.
July 8th. Gewine to Pattrik Steinsone to by ane pepper buik to coppay the townes adwersaris ewedentis in be Mr Mathow, . . . xij s.

19. For fieing of fyfteine hors to gang about daillis of me Lord Yesteris to cairrie thame fra the briggis to the Neipperth, ilk hors, x s. summa . vijli x s.
August 5. Gewine to William Portewis for tua tere barrellis to burne in the Wainlaw, pryce . . . . . xxvj s.
Item, gewine to John Tuedy for tua pound of poweder and 6 wnce, xvj s.
Item, gewine for ane barrell of aill that was had to the Wainlaw, pryce iij li iiij s.
Item. gewine to John Robene and John Billie for playing and stryking of the swych, ... xxiiij s.
6th. Gewine to tuentie men that keipit the yeild nowlt in the Eschill cowmone for thair brikfast quhen thay had keipit thame all the day, . xxx s.
7th. Gewine quhen Mr James Lawsone and Andro Hay com to gewe James Hay seising in the Wainlaw, being in companie with William Waitch, Thomas Tuedy, pay for instrewment and to Cirstiane Hay, . . . xxx s.

1625.

Item, for ane to go to Dudingstowne for the winer of sclaittis, . viij s.
Item, for ane silk poyntt to the bell, ... ij s.
Item, to ane rowch heidit fellow, ... xvj d.
Item, to the post quha cam for the conwentioun, . . . xxiiij s.
Item, for ane candill to search quhidder the guidwyf of Lang Boddone had any waippins or not, ... iiij d.
Item, for candill sindrie tymes to the kist, ... ij s.
Item, to James Heefuird and Johnne Frank for mending the stockis and bandis thairof, ... xij s.
Item, for careing of the stockes to the croce, . . . xxxij d.
Item, for careing the yrones fra brockis hoill to the steipill, . xxxij d.
Item, to the man that scorgit Issobell Gray, . . . xiiij s 4 d.
Item, wpoun the 20 of August quhen Alexander Mwir, James Heefurd, Dauid Plenderlaith and myselff past to Hamildowne befoir noone to attend the gewing of Haltowne seasing and to await wpoun the shereffes ewming, viij s.
Item, to Daniell Frank for keiping scheip that war pindit, wpon the Castell Hill, ... ij s.
Item, quhen when we war in befoir the lordis quhilk was gewin to the meassouris for the decreit, ... xxx s.
Item. that morning in ane hows at the bak of the Lwikinbuithis at our disioyne, ... xxx s.
Item, in the samen hows at ewin with Mr Harie and Mr Mathew, at the wyne, ... xxx s.
Item, the morne thairefter at our way ewming with Mr Harie and Mr Mathew, at our disioyne, ... xxxij s.
Item, to James Elliott for his naiges wages, . . . xx s.

Item, to James Orrie for the copie of the letteres anent the warris and wappinschawing, ... iij li vj s viij d.

Crippillis and puir, 1625 :—

Item, on the fyft of August to ane puir schip brocking mane, . vj s.
Item, on the 20 of August for putting away ane Bessie Kid, . iij s.
Item, on the morne thairefter for careing away ane blind wyf, iiij s.
Item, for taking away ane crippill boy callit Blakstockis tua severall tymes, v s.

Michaelmas 1625 *to Michaelmas* 1626.

Item, gewine to Gawine Dikisone for caping ower the haill inhabitance off the towne befoir the wappinschawing, ... vj s.
Item, gewine, vpone the 28 Decemb^er^, to John Tuedy for powder to gewe thame that had hagbutis, ... vij li xvj s.
Item, to James Heefurd for powder, ... v li.
Item, gewine John Robeine for stryking of the swyche, . . xij s.
Item, to the pyper callit Borland, ... viij s.
Item, gewine to John Frank for schiwting of the tua goineis in the steippell and for finding of elding to chainge thame, . . . xvj s.
Item, gewine that day the wappinschawing was, in companie with the laird of Blakbarronie, to Pattrick Vaitchis wyffe and Bessie Threipland for wyne and aill, ... iiij li.
Item, gewine William Lowes for capiing ower the letteris anent the Wappinschawing, ... ij s.
April 4. Gewine to John Frank for mending of the schoiting buitis, . l s.
April 28. Gewine to Edwart Fell for leiding of fywe hunder sklaitis out of the Croce Kirk to the schappil, ... vj s 8 d.
May 16. Gewine John Tuedy for sax threwch pepper to the skoolleris to rine at, ... xij d.
June 2. Gewine to James France for sceeiring of the mane that fell comeing downe the steippill that Andro Stewart pate in, . . . xxiiij s.

Michaelmas 1626 to *Michaelmas* 1627.

Nov. 10. Gewine to John Willisone ane furlat meill for keiping of the Eist Port, ... xxvj s 8 d.
January 29. Gewine James Haldine for mending of the coksaill quhen the wind blewe it doine, ... iiij s.
February 27. Gewine the mane that brocht the letteris fra the bischop anent the rewocatioun, ... xij s.
Item, Gewine to Hairrie Forrester for reiding of thame at the kirk door and merkcat corce, ... xxx s.

Item, gewine Edwart Fell for cairing of sax laidis of staines to the towbuith and thrie laidis lyme to the steippill heid out of the Corce Kirk vpone the moneth of Februar and sax laidis faill, ... x s.

August 6. Gewine John Stoddart for tua staippillis and tua bottis of ierne and for ane poind of leid quhen the tua sogeris thocht till hawe brokine waird out of the steippill, ... x s.

Michaelmas 1627 *to Michaelmas* 1628.

November 27. Gewine, at command of the tua baillies, to thrie passingeris that come out of Schytland, ... xviij s.

May 10. Gewine at command of the proweist and the bailyes to James France for leiding of staines to sett all the way betueext Hamiltone and Lidgett liij s 4 d.

June 30. Gewine to Pattrik Waitch his wyffe for wyne and aill and to vtheris quhen the laird of Corcestorffing men schott at the silver arrow, . xlvj s.

July 13. Gewine to ane blind man at the kirk doore, . . ij s.

Gewine for fywe foddome of cordis to fessone the ledderis for feir the watter had taine thame away, ... viij s 4d.

Item, gewine to Edwart Fell for tursing of sax laidis of frie staines to Queid brige, ... iiij s.

August 8. Item, gewine till John Gillgowr drwmer quhen he come out of Edinburgh to mend the swyche that Traquairs man pat his nyffe in at the corce, I gave him, ... xxiiij s.

Item, gewine at command of the prowest to Mr John Drowmont that he had depursit in wairing of the silver arrow to the goldsmyth, . iiij li xvij s.

Item, to the lad that brocht the letter, ... iiij s.

24th. Item, gewine for thrie els of greine ribbingis to the silver arrow befoir the proweist, ... xiij s.

26th. Item, gewine quhen the laird of Corcestorffing and his men come to schoit at the silver arrow in the moneth of October, payit to Pattrik Waich his wyff for wyne and aill, ... iij li xij s. viij d.

Item, to Cristiane Hay for aill and tobaka, . . . xxx s.

Item, in the proweist hous with Corcstorpheine tua pynts wyne, . xxx s.

Item, quhen the proweist and bailyes was schossine, at Michelmes in companie with me Lord Yester payit for ane pynt wyne tua pyntis aill tua breid, xix s 8 d.

Alhallowmas 1628 *to Alhallowmas* 1629.

Item, to James Haddane for mending the bow buttis at Beltane, . xxx s.

Item, in the provost his house quhen the silver arrow schotte at St Peiteris-day, ... xxxvj s.

Item, to ane Yrische man and a womane, ... viij

Item, for ane pund of kandill to the Tolbuith at the Justice aire, . v s.
Item, to Patrike Vaitche his wyfe for wyne at that tyme, . xxiij li xv s iiij d.
Item, to the lordis of acteing siluer j doller, . . . lviij s.
Item, gewen to the commissioneris clarke ij dolleris, . . v li xvj s.

Allhallowmas 1630 *to Allhallowmas* 1631.

1629, November 15. Item, to James Haldoune for making the Calf Know dur agreitt be the provest and baillies, ... xxxiij s iiij d.
Item, to the said James Haldowne for making the gibitt that stands thairwpon, ... iiij li.
19th. Gewin for the commission to burne the wiches, . vj li xiij s iiij d.
Item, the provest agred with James Haldowne for setting up the gibitt the wichis was hanged wpon, ... iij li xiiij s.
Item, James Haldoun drank in Archibald Frankes ane gallowne aill, quhilk the said Archibald directed to pay his wyfe, at the putting up the lintell staine, ... x s viij d.
Item, to Mr Williame Dikisone for being clerk to the wiches proces, vj li.
December 15. Item, directed to conduce with ane lockmane to the wiches, my twa dayes waidges allowit to me, ... iij li.
Item, gewin be Johnne Robene for fyue laids peittis with ane quartt of aill he gawe to the peitmen, coft to burne the wiches, . . xxxiij s viij d.
Item, to Marioun Watsone for thrie laids of coallis . . xxxvj s.
Item, to Williame Murray for ane twrs of hedder, . . ix s.
Item, to Mr Androw Watsone to tak actis of courtt being procuratour in the wiches proces, ... xlv d.
Item, for thrie faldone towis to bind the wiches hands, . . xxx d.
Item, for four faldome gritt towis to kitt them up with all, . vj s. viij d.
Item, to Williame Portews for thrie tar barrellis, . . . xlviij d.
Item, to Alexander Dikisone ane pair of schowis for wairning of the ministrie, xx s.
Item, to James Haldowne for careing the tar barrellis to the Calf Knowe, iiij s. iiij d.
Item, to hangmane for his waiges, ... x li.
Item, to his sone for being dampster, ... xij s.
Item, for ane instrument wpoun Issobell Grahames confessioun aganes the rest of the wiches, att the persones command, . . . xij s.
Item, to Johnne Frank for furnisching the wiches, his compt being alowitt and gef neid beis heir presentt to be sene, . . viij li xiiij s.
Item, to the said Johne Frank for furnisching lockmane and his sone, iij li xij s.
Item, for breid and drink feched furth of Dauid Plenderlethis to the assytheris, xxx s.
Item, feched furth thairof to hangmane and wiches, . . xviij s.
1630, February 2. Item, to Johnne Dwnlope for binding the townes prothogallis, agred be Dauid Plenderlaith, ... xx s.

November 6. Item, to twa honnest lyk men quha war takin be the Dwnkirkeris, ... xij s.
1631, February 2. Item, to the wyfe quha deid in Brockes-holl to by hir ane winding-scheit, ... xxiiij s.
Item, to thes quha wand hir, ... iiij s.
Item, to fowr men to tak hir to the kirk, ... vj s. viij d.
Item, to Michall Yowng for making the graif, ... xxxij d.
April 2. Item, for elynging Brockes-holl and burning the worming furth thairof efter the wyf wes remoued qua deid thairin, ... xij s.
June 2. Item, to putt away ane auld wyfe with ane beird, . . . iiij s.
Item, that samin day to putt away ane yowng boy, . . . iiij s.
24th. Item, for putting away ane yowng hussie callit Bessie Scott, iiij s.
September 10. Item, drinking with the laird of Smithfeild in Patrik Waiches att his first cuming to the cvntrie thrie chappines sek and ane quartt of Frynch wyne, ... ij li.
Item, for ane hundreth plowmis and thrie desone of peiris, . xij s. viij d.
26. Item, for caireing away ane auld quhyt beirditt man callit Home, iiij s.

Michaelmas 1631 *to Michaelmas* 1632.

Item, gewin to James Haldanes twa sonnes at command of the provest for going along Tweidsyd against ane flood to seik the trie briggs and daillis thairof quhilk wer carryit away be the flood, ... viij s.
Item, gewin to Thomas Lowes his sone for laveing of the schoole quhilk wes full of water be the flood, ... iiij s.
Item, for repairing and putting vp of the pulpit in the chappell, for ane hundreth naillis, ... xiij s. iiij d.
Item, for twa hundreth faill to lay the schoole flode whilk wes invndit with the water and for leiding and laying of the samyn, . . . xij s.
Item, to John Frank wricht in Edinburgh his men for thair drink silver quheu the new pulpit wes sett vp, ... xxxvj s.
Item, at the setting vp of the pulpitt gewin for ane pynt of Frensche wyne, xij s.
Item, gewin for carying the town ledder fra the Bordell-hawche quhilk wes tane away be the flood, to four men ilk ane ane groat, . . xvj s.
Item, to ane crepill woman namit Jennat Braikinrig and of carying of hir to the Myrehous, ... vj s.
Item, gewin to ane Irisch man and ane Irisch woman with sex children, xij s.
Item, gewin to James Hadden ane dayes wage for redding the Deanes Wynd, ... xiij s. iiij d.
Item, gewin to the drummer for going through the town to warne the inhabitantis to the Hammilton, ... vj s. 8 d.

Item, gewin to John Kaitcheon to attend to the Whytstane vpon my Lord Traquairis vpcuming to the effect the town micht speak with his lordschip about some thair effairis, ... iiij s.

Item, gewin to John Gilleis for casting of four thowsand faill to cover the ledges of Pebles brig, ... xxx s.

Item, gewin to James Haddin for laying of the samyn faill on the said brig ane dayes wage, ... xiij s. iiij d.

Item, that day Hammiltoun Hill corne wes schorne, thair wes spent be the provest baillies and certane of the counsell, ... xxij s.

Item, gewin to Thomas Crawfurd notar for instrumentis siller quhen Hammiltoun corne wes schorne, ... vj s.

Item, to Patrik Watsone for ane pund of powder quhen the town wes about Hammiltoun hill on Witsondtys day ; item, mair thrie quarteris of ane pound furnishit to sindrie who had hagbuttis at directioun of the provest, xlvj s. viij d.

Hallowmes 1632 *to Hallowmes* 1633.

Item, to myself directed be the provost and baillies to seike the sklaiter throw Brochtoun Glenwhome and Drummallyer, . . . xxx s.

Item, the provost and baillies at aggriement with the sklaitter, . xxiiij s.

Item, geiven to him in drynk money, ... xij s.

Item, to James Williamsone being directed with the parson to the Byschope of Glasgow whair he remained thrie dayes, . . . vj lĭ.

Item, in Edinburgh the same tyme at a four houris with Mr Harie efter thei came fra the Bischope, ... xxv s.

Item, the persone and Mr Andro when thei raid to St Androes their bonaila with the provost and baillies, ... xx s.

Item, for a thowsand sklaitt to the chaippell and tollbuith at fourtein s. the hundreth, *inde* . . . . . vij lĭ.

Item, to the sklaitter for his feye aggried be the provost and baillies, xxvj lĭ xiij s. iiij d.

Item, two candill at the seiking out of King James chartour furth of the kist, viij d.

Item, to myself directed to Edinburgh to mak the Exchecker compte two dayis remaining, ... iij lĭ.

Item, payit to the exchecker, ... xxj lĭ. ij s. viij d.

Michaelmas 1633 *to Hallowmas* 1634.

Item, in companie with the proweist and baillyes vpone the 23d day of October payit quhen Sir Johne Hamiltones men was maid burges payit for aill to Issbill Hecfurd, ... xlvij s. v d.

February 13. Item, gewine William Melros for ganging with ane letter to Sir Johne Hamilltone quhilk he sowcht him in sindry pairtis of East Lowdieane alloweit, ... xl s.

17th. Item, gewine to the parrente of thes that spane at the wisserit quheill being Mairrane Kaitchine for hir dowchter Cristiane Pebills William Tempill his dowchter, Mairriane Stoddart, payit for ane boll meill, . viij li. vj s.

March 14. Item, gewine Andro Diksone for tuentie thrie trieis to sett in the kirk yaird, ... iij li. vj s. viij d.

June 27. Item, to ane Johne Mure baillie in North Berwik anent repairing of thair herberrie quhilk the haill borroweis had consentit and gewine him according to thair abillitie, and sua at command of the proweist and baillyes and maist pairt of the cownsell I gawe him, ... viij li. xiiij s.

Item, for ane bras cower to King Dauid seall, . . . vj s.

Item, for ane ledder walit to puit in our writis, . . . iij s.

Allhallowmas 1634 *to Allhallowmas* 1635.

Item, to the clark (as instrument siluer) that the schereff suld not prejudge the toun anent the fischaris, ... ij s.

Item, to Johne Greive and otheris for leddering the steipill chimeing in at the heid when the key and lock was broken (in Marche), . . xxix s.

Item, to James Haddane and otheris fyve waiding in Tueid Watter and cairieing stones to lay about the pillar of the bridge, there bread and drynk before and efter the said worke, ... xxj s. iiij d.

Martinmas 1635 *to Martinmas* 1636.

May 10. Item, payit at Lyne bridge goeing ane number together to meite the Byschop, ... xxxiiij s.

Item, counted with Margret Reid befor the provost and baillyies when the Byschop was heir and payit to her, ... x li. xij s.

Item, two buistes of confeitis, ... xx s.

Item, for aill and schorte bread at that tyme, to Christan Hay, . xlj s.

Item, to ane merchant boy callit Williamsonn that had his pack stollin, vj s.

Item, to Margret Reid for seik and Frenche wyne at the commissioneris being heir counted with her before the provost, . . . vj li. vij s.

Item, for pairchement to wryte my lord Traquairis chairtour, . vj s. viij d.

Item, for mending the tounis seall, ... vj s.

1*st May to* 31*st December* 1638.

Item, 29 September, given to Thomas Crawfurd for dowbling of the protestatioun against the last covenant, ... 12 s.

Item, 6 November, To John Lowes provest being sent to Edinburgh to ressave informatioun anent the subscryving of the last Covenant and remaning thair fyve dayes, ... x li.

Item, 12 December, to William Bennat and Thomas Dodis for bringing fra Leith tuentie muskettes with thair necessaris, . . . 48 s.

Item, to William Melrose officer for going with ane letter to Sir Alexander Murray, of Darnehall to advertise him anent the subscryving of the last covenant, 6s. 8d.

1639.

January 31. To ane passenger called Edward Herreis, in presence of John Robene at directione of Dauid Plenderleith, ... 12 s.

Item, 12 Februarii, for my awin wadges being direct be the counsell to Edinburgh to ressave picke and musquet fra my lord Yeister and remained thair twa dayes, 3 li.

Item, 15 Februarii, to William Weitchtman, John Horsbruk and James Watsone for bringing fra Leith twa caryage of pickis and ane of ball and matche, euerie ane tuentie s. with thair custome, ... 3 li 12 d.

Item, eodem die, to William Weichtman befor the proveist and John Grive elder for bringing of tuentie musquettis fra Neidpeth, . . 4 s.

Item, to George Thomsone schaitter as the provest agried with him to repair the chappell quhich was blauing out wpon Hallow even 1638, . 9 li.

March 29. Item, to John Bell snayth for ane quarter weight of yron to bowle the twa yron peeces in the steepell and for his bowlling thairof, . 20 s.

October 18. Item, Thomas Patersone baillye being elected be the counsell to ryde to Edinburgh to declare vnto my lord Traquair anent the thrie prisoners in our jawell for the murther and adulterie committed in Cadrono who remained thrie dayes and gave 12 s. to James Prymrois his sister who did writt the commission, ... 5 li. 2 s. viij d.

31st. Quhilk day Walter Schiell officer to my lord Traquair ressaved the adulteres fra the baillies, as instrument silver taken in John Symervell notar his handis, ... 4 d.

Item, 12 November, quhilk day Mr Andro Watsone viccar begane to read prayers in the chappell, to John Tuedie for candell, the Sabboth dayes and sume other dayes quhairin he was absent excepted, . . . xxv s.

1640.

April 2. Gewin to John Robene be consent of the counsell for ringing the belles to the prayeris, for twa quarteris, ... iij li.

October 10. Given to Thomas Patersone to go to Edinburgh with the sojores fugitives in our town, quho stayit away four dayes, . . vj li.

Item, I gave to the sojores be the way in meit and drink at sindrie tymes, xxx s.

Item quhen the said Thomas and I left them I gave the said sojoris in money vthey, ... xxx s.

December 7. Gewin to the provest quhilk he gave to Leivetennent Colonell Kininmonth's scriviner, ... 48 s.

8th. Gewin to sex cadgeris to cary from Peibillis to Stobo Col. Kininmonthis sodjouris pickes and muskettis and vtheris thair furnitour, ewerie ane vj s. inde . . . . . xxxvj s.

October 1645 *to October* 1646.

November 1. Gewin to William Heislope [and others] for cutting timber in the Croce Kirk and for building the first twa luidges for thes who wer put furth in the visitatioun, ... xiij s. iiij d.

13th. Gewin to William Heislope [and others] for biggin the kill for the infected cloths clenging, ... iij li.

28th. Gewin to William Wilsone quhilk he had gewin out to twa clengers that came out of Edinburgh to seik imployment and wer send bak, xij s.

January 27. To William Heislope younger for ane laid of peitis to clenge the schoole, ... viij s.

March 7. Gewin to John Plenderlaith smyth to go for Drumfreis with twa letteres fra leivetennant Eliot (then quarterit in Pebles with his trowpe) to rait mastteris Killoche and Cunninghame, ... iiij li.

April 24. Quhen my lord Buccleugh his broyther and thair dependeris and servandis wer maid burgessis, spent at directioun of the magistrattis, provest Williamsone present, in the clerkis and at the croce, thrie pyntis of sack and ane bread, ... iij li. xij d.

June 10. To ane post quha came to proclame the Kings letter anent disbanding of forces, ... xij s.

22. To Alexander Williamsone and John Gilleis officeris to go seik in the forrest and vther places Hector Dickisone cowper to be ane sojour and Richard Porteous quha could not be found, ane quart aill and twa merkis, . 29 s. 4 d.

August 20. Item the said day quhen my lord Kenmure came to Pebles gewin to John Gilleis, younger, to ryd to Selkirk in haist with a letter to fetche Kenmures officeris to Pebles, ... xxiiij s.

October. To John and [John Horsbrughis] William Murray, William Wichtman, John Hunter, for twa horsses, Thomas Dods [and five others], for carying Kenmures muskettis fra Leith to Pebles for Kenmures sojoris (four quhairof gat no armes bot had waited on twa dayes and out of pitie be the magistratts derection gat payment), to ilk ane of the tuelf caryeris 24 s.; inde . 14 li. 8 s.

Item, on the morrow against Hallow day quhen thair wes nether wyne nor sack in Pebles, at command of the magistratt, spent quhen ane note wes gottin fra captane Alexander Spittell quartermaister quhen Leslies armie came along anent the quarterings, that tyme sex pintis aill, . . . viij s.

1st November 1649 to 1st November 1650.

Item, 7 Februar, Gevin for the carrying of three loades free stanes from the Croce Kirk to the Chappill to mak ane window off, and ane load of lym from the kirk and thrie loades sand, ... iiij s.

Mair, gevin to Stephen Greive for the breaking out the window of the Chaippill and making vp the samyn againe, ... iij li.

Item, gevin be Thomas Smyth for the towns proportioun of tua monethis pay from the 15 Januar to the 15 Marche to the Irish companie, . x li xiij s.

February, the baillies with Capitane Cranstane and his officiares at the making them burgesses, sex pyntes French wyne, . . . v li xiij s.

Item, 24 Appryle, gevin to Alexander Williamsone for goeing to the earle of Tueiddaill with ane letter anent our races, . . . iiij s iiij d

May 4. Gevin to ane daft man that the proveist wairdit, to buy bread withall, iiij s.

20th. Gevin to James Williamsone provest and James Horsbrugh baillie, electit commissionars for the parliament, as thair compt beers, iij^{xx}viij li viij s. 8 d.

Item, givin to fyve souldiors that come from Ingland, . . xxij s

July 9. Given to William Haswell quartermaister to leivtennant cornell Ker's troup, for his localitie of seven hors, tuelf dayis as the baillies did aggree with him, ... vj li xvij s.

10th. Given to Thomas Homiltoun for touking of the drumm anent ane act of the Committie at the croce, ... iij s iiij d.

14th. Item, for ane belt to bind the old treasurer compts togidder, xij d.

15th. I went into Edinburgh to buy powder and leid at derection of the counsell and I bocht tuentie sevin pund of powder at 12 s. the pund, inde xvj li iij s.

Item, twa staine of leid, pryce of the staine fyfte sixe shilling. inde, v li xij s.

And to the boyes that cuist the bulletts for thair expeditioun, . iiij s.

Mair to Bet Govanes man that brought hame the powder and leid, two bread and ane chappin of aill, ... iij s.

Item, for grasse to Robert Govans beast, ... iiij s.

Item, given for ane barrell to putt in the powder, . . vj s.

Item, for my owin charges, ... xl s.

August 3. I had ane pynt of aile in John Trumell hows with the baillies and twa trupers, ... 2s.

6th. Givin for fyve Inglesmen thair quarteres twa nightes, . iij li.

Givin to ane truper that cam for the sheip and cheis for fowr nightes, xxxvj s.

Item, for thrie nightes quarteres of ane ceirgent that com owt of the castill to Thomas Smyth for mentanence, ... xx s.

20th. I was in Edilston kirk with the showlder fyve pyntes aille, . x s.

Mair, I paid with the baillie at the Fallamill, . . . vj s.

September 16. To tuo hurt souldiores, ... vj s.

24th. To ane hurt souldior, befor the younge persone and William Lowes, callit James M'Gill, ... vj s.
October 7. To William Hislope for the half pryce of ane dead chist to ane poor souldior, ... xl s.
Item, to Stephen Greive for the half pryce of ane dead kist to ane vther poor souldior, ... xl s.
November 1. Item, for tuo candle to look the writtes in the steiple efter the Inglesmen had spoyled the same, ... xij d.
Item, to Stephen Greive and his sone for setting vp the gallous to the witches being ane day and half ane dayes work, . . . xl s.
Item, for tuo drinkes, ... viij d

Michaelmas 1651 *to Michaelmas* 1652.

December 4. Item, for cariein of letteris to Blackbarony anent provisione for Captain Soumes seik men, ... vj s.
January 23. With Captane Some, Sir James Hay, 2 bailies, Mr Andro in the clerkis, 7 chapinis wyne, but suggar, ... v li xiv s.
For tobacco and pypis and 2 bread, ... vj s.
September 8. Item, to John Wood for to convoy ane troup to Hawick that belonged to Blackmoore, ... i li xvj s.

1654.

March 7. Item, on Tuesday quhen the trupperis cam in, commandit vnder Quisiltounes trup, payit for sewin load of coales, . . .
June 15. Quhen the garrisoun came to the Neipeth, for ane pund of candel, v s. vj d.
25th. For tua thraif of oat stra to the garrisoun Neipeth, . . xiij s. iv d.
26th. Mair to it at that tyme, caryit be Andro Forrest, ane load of peitis, vj s.
July 12. Item, for stra out of Winkstoun to the Neipeth, . . xviij s.
30th. To the Scotis prisoners that Captain Hart tuk, thrie of ail and four bread and tobaca, ... vj s.
Item, to John Ficher, locksmyth, for the making up tua new lockis that was brokin be the mos truperis upon the portis, keyes lost, sprentis and plaitis brised and brokin, ... ii li viij s.

1655.

August 2. Item, at the creating of Capitane Hairgraive and his ensigne, burgesses, with the baillies, thrie pyntes wyne and 12 ounces suggar, . . iij li x s.

1658.

June 22. To John Tueddail for cariein the souldiers' plenishing to the Neidpeth, ... iij s. iv d.

November 12. For half ane dayis work at Tucid bridge, . . vj s. viij d.
For his drink, ... j s. viij d.
To laird Chisholme for bringing of thrie great frie stanes from the Kirk to Tucid bridge, ... iij s.

1659.

June 23. Item, given to Thom Tuadall for earying four frie stones from the Crose Kirk to it, [Tweed bridge] . . . . . ij s.

1660.

February 23. Payd for ten stone of colle furnished to the gaird be Johne Trumble when the futtemen marched to Glasgow, ... xvj s.
Ane pund candill, ... v s. vj d.
May 11. Payd for what was spent on bone-fyre day, as the alloued compt be the counsell beires, ... iv li iij s.
June 19. Item, the nyntene June, spent wpon the Thankesgiving day, efter our King was saiflie arryved, ... vj li xv s.

1661.

April 22. At command of the magistrats taken down to the croas, fowr galons eall, ... ii li xiij s. iv d.
Item, the said day the eall was drunk thri eall copis was brokin, pryce, v s.
May 1. When the cup was first put up on the croas, for a yaird of reid rwbon to one of the merchants, ... vj s.
6th. To James Birsbain for wyn and vther furnitor when the King was crownd and at Beltan fair when the earll of Tuedell cam to the town, as his alowd compt bears, ... xxvij li xij s.
8th. Item, for two sheit paper when the butts was shott at by the Archers, vj s.
August 10. To William Wood for eight load stons, from the Croas Kirk to Twed brig, at 12d. a load, inde . . . . . viij s.
13th. To put up the brood in the Tolbuith containing the King and toun arms, 6 plensher naills 8d.; ane skainya thrid 2d.; inde, . . x d.
To Mr. John Williamsone for the brood, ... iii li.

GLOSSARY AND INDEX.

GLOSSARY.

Abbot of Unrest, a character in an ancient Christmas sport.
Abone, Aboue, Abuf, above.
Ac, act.
Accepande, excepting.
Achet, eschaet, forfeited.
Acht, Aith, Atht, oath.
Acordit, agreed.
Adwersaris, adversaries.
Afald, honest, upright.
Agane, again.
Agane, Agayn, against.
Aik, oak.
Air, Ayre, Ar, Are, eyre, an itinerant court of justice ; heir.
Airis, Ayeris, heirs.
Aither, Ather, Aythir, either, each.
Aittis, oats.
Aktre, oak tree.
Al, All, ale, all.
Alanerly, solely, only.
Alli, Aly, alienate.
Alluterly, wholly, entirely.
Als, as.
Als, Alssua, also.
Alya, alliance, an ally.
Amerciament, Amerssiment, a fine.
Amittis, admits.
Ammari, Amri, a press or cupboard.
An, Ane, an, one.
An, Ayne, Awin, own.
Analyit, alienated.
Aneist, Anes, next.
Anentis, over against, opposite to ; concerning, in relation to.
Anes, once, ones.
Anowrnmentis, ornaments.
Anwal, annual.
Aperit, appeared.
Archap, Arscap, Arscapat, heirship, inheritance.
As, has.
Asposit, disposed.
Assis, Assise, assize.
Assonyeit, excused for absence.
Assytheris, those who atone for offences.
At, that.
Attour, moreover, beyond.
Attragis, altars.
Auch, Aucht, ought, owing, to owe, to be the owner of, eight.
Aunnaris, owners.
Autar, altar.
Autorite, authority.
Auwys, advice.
Aventure, adventure, chance, fortune.
Aw, ought.
Awdytouris, auditors.

Awest, Awestal, contiguous, adjacent.
Awisit, advised.
Aws, owes.
Awter, altar.
Ayr, early.

Bad, bade.
Bag, a quiver.
Baith, both.
Bak, back.
Bakbrid, bakeboard.
Balk, beam by which scales are suspended.
Bandeleans, a leathern belt having affixed to it a number of little cases, each containing the charge of powder for a musket, and usually worn around the neck or over the shoulder.
Bangistaris, violent and disorderly persons.
Baning, imprecating.
Barbouris, barbers, surgeons.
Bargane, fight, contention.
Barn, child.
Bartylmes, St. Bartholomew's day.
Be, by.
Beand, being.
Bedell, Bedrell, a person bedrid.
Bedral, a beadle, a sexton.
Begit, Biggit, built.
Behaw, behoof.
Behuffful, useful, fit.
Beis, be, is, are.
Bellamtym, Beltane, the name of a sort of festival observed on the first day of May, O.S.; hence used to denote the term of Whitsunday.
Bellys, bellows.
Benk, a bench, seat.
Beris, bears.
Berryng, bearing.
Beryit, buried.
Beseik, beseech.
Bethys, Betuix, Bethwen, betwixt, between.
Bewdit, improved.
Bigane, bygone.
Biggingis, buildings.
Bill, indictment.
Blaw, to blow, to inflate.
Blebane. See "Pleban."
Blind Man, Blynd Man, (pp. 343, 346.)
Blude, blood.
Bludewetis, fine for the effusion of blood.
Bodin, prepared, provided, furnished.
Bonaila, a drink taken with a friend on parting, expressive of wishing him a prosperous journey.
Bonspule, a match.
Borch, a surety, a person who becomes bail for another, a pledge.
Bot, But, unless, except, without.
Both, booth.
Bottis, bolts.
Bownit, prepared.
Brak, broke.
Bray, the side of a hill, an acclivity.
Brede, breadth.
Breider, brethren.
Brekaris of Taxt, persons who levy a tax.
Brekin, breaking.
Brethir, brethren.
Brod, board.
Brof, broth, soup.
Brosstar, Browstare, brewer.
Brouk, Brwk, Brug, brook, possess, enjoy.
Bruilye, broil, fight.
Bryg, bridge.
Brynt, Brint, burned.
Bud, a gift, a bribe.
Buffill, a leathern coat.
Buistes, boxes.
Buk, Buik, book.

Bur, bore.
Burd, board.
Burges, burgesses.
Busses, bushes.
Butts, ground appropriated for practising archery.
By, beyond, besides, away from.
By, buy.
Byde, to stay.
Caber, a rafter.
Calsay, Causa, causeway.
Calsay Burgess, (p. 358.)
Capiing, Caping, copying.
Careche, carriage.
Carne, a heap of stones.
Cathe or Cache, a game of handball.
Caudron, caldron.
Cedens, assignment.
Ceirgent, sergeant.
Ceis, cease.
Central, a sentry.
Chader, (p. 119.)
Chairgit, Chardit, charged.
Chak, check.
Chakkare, Cheker, exchequer.
Chalmer, chamber.
Chamerlar, chamberlain.
Chanownis, canons.
Chapellane, chaplain.
Chapyn, chopin.
Chawder, chalder.
Cheff, chief.
Chenya, chain.
Chep, sheep.
Chep, a shop.
Chepmen, pedlars, hawkers, merchants.
Ches, choose.
Chet, eschaet, forfeiture.
Chift, shift.
Childer, children, retinue, attendants.
Chyar, chair.
Clausures, enclosures.
Cleide, to get legal possession.
Clem, climb.
Clem, claim.
Clengers, cleansers.
Clour, a dint caused by a blow, a stroke.
Clynging, cleansing.
Cofit, Coft, bought.
Cog, a measure used in some mills containing the fourth of a peck, a hollow vessel. See "Roung Wheel."
Coksaill, (p. 414.)
Colleg, colleague.
Comand, coming.
Comburgenses, Comburgesses, fellow-burgesses.
Commounis, Comownyte, community.
Comper, compear, appear.
Complane, Complene, evening song.
Complices, accomplices.
Compone, to settle, to compound.
Compromit, compromise.
Condampnit, blocked up.
Conduce, to hire.
Confeitis, sweetmeats, comfits.
Conforteid, comforted.
Connryng, (p. 113.)
Cont, account.
Contempcioun, Contemptioun, contempt, disobedience to legal authority.
Contenys, contains.
Cors, Croce, cross.
Corsay, a covering for a woman's head.
Convoy, to accompany.
Conwik, convicted.
Cottis, cuts.
Counsal, council.
Coverfyre, the curfew bell or evening peal.
Cower, cover.
Cownt, account.
Cowparis, dealers.

Cuist, cast.
Cuke-stule, a pillory.
Culd, Cwt, could.
Cullowris, colours.
Cum, come.
Cummer, vexation, entanglement.
Cur, care.
Curne, grain. "Fourty Curne" (p. 29), proportion of one grain in forty.
Curs, course.
Curt, court.
Currowris, Cursours, couriers, messengers.
Custume, custom.
Cusynage, relationship by blood.
Cwch, couch.
Cwnnaris, tasters.

Daft, delirious, foolish, unwise.
Dampnages, damages.
Dang, beat.
Daplar, (p. 119.)
Dawirk, day's work.
De, die.
Decernand, decerning.
Decorment, decoration, ornament.
Dede, dead.
Defalk, defalcate, deficient.
Defawtis, defalts.
Deid, death.
Deiling, dividing.
Deit, died.
Delatit, accused.
Delfing, digging.
Deluid, delusive.
Dempstar, the officer of court who pronounces sentence.
Denegatioun, denial, keeping back.
Depauperat, impoverished.
Derrest, dearest.
Desgown, Disioyne, breakfast.
Det, debt.
Determyt, determined.
Dew, due.
Dichteris, Dychtaris, wipers, cleaners.
Dimember, to dismember, to maim.
Dimittit, resigned.
Ding, to drive, to beat.
Diocie, diocese.
Dis, dish.
Disate, deceit.
Disfamete, impoverishment.
Dishonestie, disrespectability, inconvenience.
Dispoulyeide, despoiled.
Dissis, dishes.
Distrenye, distrain.
Distribulance, disturbance.
Diuers, divers, several.
Divot, turf.
Dolie, oil of any kind. See Oyle-dolie.
Don, down.
Dorand, during.
Dote, to give, to bestow.
Doussane, dozen, the council.
Dowande, doing.
Dowcat, dovecot, pigeon house.
Drauys, Drawis, gives, assigns.
Dure, door.
Durthreswald, door, threshold.
Dynar, dinner.
Dyss, dice.
Dysstres, a distraint, seizure for debt.

E, ye, you.
Effec, effect.
Effectuislie, affectionately.
Effeiris, concerns, becomes, befits, proportional to.
Effirmyt, affirmed.
Efter, after.
Egling, intending.

Ein, evening.
Ekis, adds.
Eld, age.
Eld-fader, grandfather.
Eldin, Elding, fuel of any kind.
Eld-moder, grandmother.
Ellis, else, otherwise, already.
Eln, Elne, a Scotch measure containing thirty-seven inches.
Eme, uncle.
Endland, along.
Enfeftment, infeftment.
Entres, interest, concern, access, entry.
Erand, affair, business, message.
Erd, earth.
Esche, ash.
Essely, easily.
Essonye, excuse for absence.
Essposit, disposed.
Euest, Ewest, contiguous, adjacent.
Euil, Ewill, evil.
Euirilk, every.
Euirmair, evermore.
Evenly, equally.
Evensang, evening song.
Evyn, even, equal.
Exaltatioun of the Crois, Rood-day, 14th September.
Exerce, to exercise.
Ey, eye, centre.

Fader, feather.
Fader, father.
Fadis, hunters.
Fadom, Foddome, fathom.
Faill, Feal, grassy part of ground's surface.
Failyene, Falland, failing.
Falou, fellow, partner.
Falyheis, fails.
Fand, Fundin, Fendyng, found.
Fauldit, folded, closed.
Faut, falt, defalt.
Fawir, favour.
Fawtouris, transgressors.
Fayis, foes.
Fe, Feall, Fie, fee, hire.
Fechtyng, fighting.
Fefment, infeftment, investiture, possession.
Feft, legally put in possession.
Feid, feud.
Feir of weir, a warlike expedition, prepared for war.
Felony, cruelty, wrath, fierceness, violence.
Fende, fiend, the devil.
Fendit, provided.
Fensyt Court, court formally opened.
Fenyeit, feigned.
Ferd, Ferde, fourth.
Ferial, protected against legal prosecution.
Fermes, rents.
Fermit, affirmed.
Firmoraris, farmers.
Fles, flesh.
Flichter, to pinion.
Flite, Flyt, to scold.
Fludis, floods.
Following, pursuing.
Followare, Kow and Followare, cow and calf.
Folouand, following.
For, fore.
Forbet, forbid.
Forbuth, forebooth.
Forfalt, forfeit, fine, unlaw.
Forowtyn, without.
Forret, forehead.
Forsamekill, forasmuch.
Forspekar, advocate, procurator.
Forstaller, Forstaker, one who buys

merchandice before it comes to market, or before time appointed for sale.
FORSUTH, FORSWTHT, forsooth.
FORTHOCHT, forethought, premeditated.
FOUK, folk.
FOWELY, fully.
FRA, from, fray.
FRANCHIS, privileges.
FRATHINFURTH, thenceforth, from that time.
FRENYIE, a fringe.
FRER, friar.
FRETH, to release from an obligation.
FRIVOLL, frivolous.
FRUCTIS, fruits.
FULIS, fowls.
FUTE, foot.
FUTFELLIS, a species of dressed skin.

GA, go.
GADER, gather.
GAIT, way, road.
GAIWILL, jail.
GANGIN, going.
GANSTANDAND, standing against, opposing.
GAR, cause, force.
GARDEWYOT, a cabinet, a wardrobe.
GAWILLOK, an iron lever.
GAYL, GAL, gavil.
GEAR, goods.
GEFE, give.
GEIS, GES, geese.
GERSSOWME, GRASSUM, sum paid by a tenant or vassal at entry to lands.
GERT, caused.
GEWINE, given.
GEYF, GIF, GYF, if, give.
GILRDIL, a girdle.
GLOMYNG, evening, twilight.
GLUFE, glove.
GOINE, GOVNE, gun.
GOLT, GOT, a drain, a small trench, a narrow inlet.
GON, GOVNE, gown.
GORMAWIS, gluttons.
GOUERAN, govern.
GRAITH, furnishings, furniture.
GRANGEIS, buildings pertaining to a farm.
GRAP, a fork.
GRAS, grace.
GRWND, ground.
GUD, good.
GUDIS, GUIDIS, goods.
GUDLY, goodly.
GUDSONIS, sons-in-law.
GUTHER, gutter.

HABILITIE, ability.
HAGBUT, a kind of firearms.
HAIL, HALE, HALL, whole.
HAILLILIE, wholly, altogether.
HALDIN, HAIDEN, held.
HALDIS, holds.
HALF, side, quarter, part.
HALY, holy.
HAMESUKKING, assaulting a person in his own premises.
HANYNG, preserving.
HAS, as.
HASART, hazard.
HAVAND, HAFFAND, having.
HAYF, HAUE, have.
HE, HIE, HEICH, high.
HEAST, HIEST, highest.
HED, HEID, head.
HEDDER, heather.
HEICHTIT, heightened.
HEIDROVME, head or boundary ground.
HELE, HEILE, health.
HEME, edge.
HEREIT, robbed, plundered.

HEREZELD, the best horse, ox, or cow belonging to the vassal or tenant, which, on his death, was due to his superior or landlord.
HERSCHIP, plunder, wreck of property, devastation.
HINGING, hanging.
HIRD, one who tends cattle or sheep.
HOCH, the hough.
HOG, a young sheep.
HOIP, a sloping hollow between two hills.
HONDER, hundred.
HONEST, honourable, respectable.
HOROLOGE, a clock.
HOS, house.
HOUSTED, house stead.
HOWKSTAIRIS, hucksters.
HUD, a hood.
HUNDRETH, hundred.
HUPHALD, uphold.
HUS, use.
HUSCHE, ish, entrance.
HYN, in.
HYNE, hence.

ILE, aisle.
ILK, same.
ILKANE, each one.
IMPROBATIOUN, disproof.
INCONTINENT, forthwith, immediately.
INCUMING, arrival.
INDENT, indenture, agreement.
INDOT, give, grant, endow.
INFANGTHEIF, privilege conferred on a landholder of trying a thief taken within his own territory.
INLAIK, want, deficiency.
INNOUTH, inwith.
INRIN, incur.
INTENTIT, litigated.
INTERES, interest, concern, access, entry.
INTERLOQUUTOUR, judgment.
INUENTION OF THE CROIS, Rood-day, the 3rd of May.
INVNDIT, inundated.
IRNTANIS, iron tongs.

JACK, JAK, jacket, jerkin.
JAVILL, JEWLE, jail.
JAVILLOUR, jailor.
JEDGE, a guage.
JOS, enjoy.
JOWIS, tolls, rings.
JOYSIT, enjoyed.
JWNT, joint.

KAILL, colewort, greens.
KAIRTENE, carting.
KEL, kiln.
KENNIT, KENT, known, directed.
KENYNG, directing, knowing.
KINE, KYNE, kin.
KIST, a chest, a coffin.
KITT, to lift up quickly.
KNAWLEGE, knowledge, trial, examination, scrutiny.
KNAYCHEP, KNAVESHIP, dues to a servant in a mill.
KNOCK, KNOK, clock.
KWNNARIS, tasters.
KY, cows.
KYNRIK, kingdom.
KYP, keep.
KOW AND FOLLOWARE, cow and calf.

LACHFULL, LAUCHFULL, lawful.
LADE, LAID, load.
LAFFIS, loaves.
LAIF, LAYF, the remainder.
LAIRD, LARD, a landholder, a lord.

Landemeris, land measurers.
Landit, possessing lands.
Langande, belonging.
Lantter, (p. 119.)
Langillit, a rope by which the fore and hind feet of a horse or cow are fastened together.
Lat, late.
Latit to Borch, laid in pledge.
Lauatory, a vessel to wash in.
Lauborrowis, legal security against injury.
Laute, loyalty, truth, equity.
Lautoche, true, just.
Law, low.
Lectioun, election.
Ledder, Lyder, ladder, leather.
Leg Poste, Legis Pouste, the state of health in which a person has full power to dispose of his property.
Legis, ledges, parapet.
Leif, live, leave.
Leirnand, learning.
Lely, faithfully.
Lesstys, lasts, endures.
Lessens, licence.
Lesume, lawful, allowable.
Lesuris, pastures.
Lewyn, living.
Leyrit, learned.
Liand, lying.
Liner, Lynour, one who measures land with a line.
Liti for dayis (p. 131.), let it lie four days.
Lockmane, a public executioner.
Lois, loose.
Lon, Lonyng, a passage for cattle, a narrow enclosed way.
Lorimar, a maker of bits, spurs, nails, &c.
Louittis, lovites, a term expressive of the royal regard.
Lowis, Louchis, lochs.
Luf, love.
Lugeit, lodged.
Luggis, ears.
Luke, look.

Ma, more.
Maisterschippis, a title of respect.
Malyn, a farm.
Malys, rents.
Manch or Mauth, Mayth, a son-in law.
Mand, a broad basket in shape of a corn sieve.
Manesworne, perjured.
Mannor, Maynowr, use, possess.
Marchet, Marcheta Mulierum, the tax or fine paid by the vassal on marrying his daughter.
Mast, most.
Mayd, made.
Mede, Meid, price, gain, reward.
Medyn, midding, dunghill.
Mekill, much.
Mell, meal.
Melling, intermeddling.
Menit, lamented.
Mensk, honour, credit.
Mercate, Merkat, market.
Merk, a coin, value 13s. 4d. Scots, or 1s. $1\frac{1}{2}$d. sterling.
Mes, mass.
Met, meat, food, measure.
Metlumis, measuring instruments.
Metyn, meeting.
Miche, Mithe, great, much, measure.
Micht, might.
Miln, Myln, Meln, mill.
Mochnath, Monath, month.
Moder, mother.
Mone, moon.

MORTCLAYTH, pall carried over the coffin at a funeral.
MUFARIS, movers.
MULTURE, MOUTER, the fee for grinding grain.
MUTIS, meetings.
MYSTER, MESTOUR, need, want.

NA, neither, nor, no.
NED, need.
NEVOY, nephew, grandson.
NEX, NEST, next.
NICHTBUR, NYCHTBUR, NECHBUR, NEBUR, neighbour.
NIXTOCUM, next to come.
NOCH, NOCHT, not.
NOCK, a notch.
NOLT, NOWT, cattle.
NONE, noon.
NOTHER, neither.
NOYMER, number.
NOWE, corner.
NYFF, fist, the closed hand.

OBLIST, OBLYST, obliged.
OFTER, oftener.
OISTLARE, innkeeper.
OLES, unless.
ONLAW, unlaw.
ONSUSPEKIT, unsuspected.
ONSETTIS, buildings pertaining to houses.
ONY, any.
OPTENIT, obtained.
ORDANIT, ordained.
ORDINALE, ordinary.
OSSFYTALL, hospital.
OST, host, army.
OUDIR, other.
OULK, week.
OUR, over.
OURSEAR, overseer.
OUTAN, without, except.
OUTFANGTHEIF, right of a feudal lord to try a thief who is his own vassal, although taken with the booty beyond his jurisdiction.
OUTHIR, either.
OUTLAND, out of the burgh.
OUT-REDE, to clear off debt, clearance.
OUTUTHOUS, outwith house.
OWNFORGEYFYNG, unforgiven.
OWTQUYTINE, payment of debt.
OYLE-DOLIE, oil of olives.

PAIS, PASS, weight.
PAKING AND PELING, giving an unfreeman the use of a freeman's name in buying or selling.
PALYEONE, PAVALEOUN, pavilion.
PANE, stuff, cloth.
PANEY, PENNE, penny, money without respect to value.
PAROCHE, PARYST, PAROCHIN, parish.
PARYT, (p. 10.)
PASCHE, PAISHE, Easter.
PATE, put.
PAYN, paying.
PENDICLE, a pendant.
PENT, pint.
PENULT, the last but one.
PEPPER, paper.
PERANS, appearance.
PERGYTIS, prejudice.
PERIT, appeared.
PERLYN, furnishing.
PERSEWT, pursued.
PERSON, parson, minister.
PERTENIT, pertained.
PERTINAND, PERTENYNG, pertaining.
PEST, PESTELANSCHE, pestilence.
PETTE, petty.

Peudar, pewter.
Pick, a pike, a lance.
Pig, an earthen vessel.
Pikaris, Pykaris, pilferers.
Pissance, power.
Pit and Gallows, privilege of having a pit for drowning women, and gallows for hanging men convicted of theft.
Plantearis, or Plancearis, planks, flooring.
Planttys, complains.
Planyheit, complained.
Playn, full.
Pleban, the priest or parson of a church having dependent chapels or churches.
Pletsleuis, sleeve plates.
Pleuch, plough.
Pok, a bag.
Pond, pound.
Pose, a purse.
Posset, (p. 289.)
Powrsefand, Powrsont, pursuivant.
Preeisle, strenuously.
Present, presented.
Presthed, priesthood.
Preving, proving.
Previs, Provis, proofs, witnesses.
Prewelle, privily.
Preway, privy, secret.
Prissaris, Pryssaris, pricers.
Priue, Priway, privy.
Proforand, preferring.
Prolocutor, an advocate, one who speaks for another.
Promofyt, promoted, removed.
Promyt, promise.
Prophet, profit.
Proportis, purports, means, shows.
Prothogall, a book kept by a notary public.
Proude, swollen, protuberant.
Proude Mone, full moon.
Proventis, profits.
Provit, proved.
Pulder, powder.
Pultre, poultry.
Punist, Punyst, punished.
Pure, poor.
Pyndyn, poinding, distraining.

Quer, Quere, Quheyr, choir.
Quha, who.
Quham, whom.
Quhar, Qwar, where.
Quharfore, wherefore.
Quheill, wheel.
Quhet, wheat.
Quhilk, which.
Quhill, Qwil, Qwyl, till, while.
Quhinger, whinger, a short sword.
Quhite, white.
Quhowsone, how soon.
Quhytclemes, discharges.
Quittance, Quhitis, acquittance, discharge.
Quotis, the portion of a deceased's goods payable for right of intromitting with his property.
Qwath, what.
Qweder, whether.
Qwest, inquest.
Qwylim, sometime.
Qwyssonday, Whitsonday.
Qwyt, acquit.

Racunnis, Racwnnest, to recognosce or reclaim lands from a vassal.
Rade, Raid, an invasion, an attack by violence.
Raid, rode.
Raike, journey.

RAITMASTERS, route masters.
RAKYNNING, reckoning.
RAMFORCIT, crammed, filled up.
RAMOFIT, REMUFYT, removed.
RANGALD, crowd, rabble, disorder.
RASS, rose.
RED, rubbish, clearance.
RED, (TO), to clear, to put in order.
REDDAND, REDDING, separating.
REDE, voice, counsel.
REDIS, reads.
REGNE, ring.
REGNNE, reign.
REGRATOUR, one who buys and afterwards sells merchandise for greater profit than is lawful.
REIF, plunder, robbery.
REIK, to reach.
RELEWE, relieve.
RELLYK, relic.
RENUNSIT, renounced.
REPERALIT, repaired.
REPERLE, refit, repair.
RESAUIT, RASAWIT, received.
RESETT, to harbour, to receive stolen goods.
RESSAYF, receive.
RESSONE, reason.
RESSYNGIT, resigned.
RETOUR, return.
REVAR, robber, plunderer.
REVESTRY, the vestry.
RICH, RICHT, right.
RICHT FURTH, immediately, forthwith.
RICHT SWA, in same manner, just so.
RICHTWIS, righteous.
RIOT, RYOT, noise, contest, combat, assault.
RIPIT, RYPIT, searched.
ROBENE HUDE, a character in an ancient sport.
ROUCH, rough, unshorn.
ROWME, space, place.
ROUNG, rung.
ROUNG, a cudgel, any long piece of wood.
ROUNG OR RUNG WHEEL. Of the two wheels in a corn mill, the one which has cogs and drives the other is called the *cog-wheel*, the other from its having spokes or rungs, the *rung wheel*.
ROWS, rolls, rollers.
RUD, RUDE, the Cross.
RUD, RUDE, rood.
RUDDIS, roods.
RUGGING, tearing, pulling.
RUMPILL, the rump, the tail.
RYCH, RICHT, right.
RYPLY, Ripely.

SACRIT, consecrated.
SAIP, soap.
SAK, privilege to a baron to try vassals in his own court.
SAL, shall.
SALBE, shall be.
SAMIN, SEM, same.
SAMONY, so many
SANCT, saint.
SARK, shirt.
SARTAN, certain.
SARYT, vexed.
SAUCH BUS, willow bush.
SAUF, safe.
SAWFAND, SAFAND, saving.
SAWING, sowing.
SAWL, soul.
SCALING, dispersing.
SCAT, share or right.
SCAULDIS, scolds.
SCEEIRING, (p. 414.)
SCHEILL, a hut.

SCHENDSCHIP, ruin, destruction, discomfiture.
SCHIR, SCHYR, sir.
SCHO, she.
SCHOIT, shoot.
SCHON, son.
SCHONE, shoes.
SCHOWDER, shoulder.
SCHULE, a shovel.
SCHUPE, purposed, intended.
SCHYN, skin.
SCOILL, school.
SCOTTYNG AND LOTTYNG, payment of duties.
SCOTINYABLE, chargeable for duties.
SCROW, a scroll.
SE, sea.
SEAND, fitting, becoming.
SED, seed.
SEIK, sack, sick.
SEIK, to search.
SEKER, SICKER, SYKKER, sure.
SEKERNES, security.
SEIKNES, sickness.
SELLYN, shilling.
SEMLABILL, similar.
SEN, since.
SEN, SYNE, since that time.
SERF, serve.
SERIAND, sergeant, officer.
SERSTE, searched.
SERUIS, SERWIS, service.
SERVAND, serving.
SERVITOUR, servant, expressive of duty or respect.
SERWIT, served.
SESSING, sasine, possession, investiture.
SEUTE, (pp. 326, 355).
SHERIFFIS GLOWES, sheriff's gloves, a perquisite belonging to the sheriff.
SHOWLDIER, soldier.
SICHT, SYCHT, sight, examine.
SIKE, SYKE, a marshy bottom with a small stream in it.
SILLAR, SILUER, SYLUER, silver, money.
SINDRI, SYNDRI, sundry, separately.
SINE, SYNE, afterwards.
SIS, SYIS, assize.
SKAILTIS, slates.
SKANDERIS, slanders.
SKAITH, SKATH, hurt, damage.
SKRY, cry, clamour.
SLAK, an opening between hills.
SLOATT, a bar, a bolt.
SNEK, a latch.
SODAN, sudden.
SOITHALD, southward.
SOJIRIS, soldiers.
SOK, right of a baron to hold court in his own domains.
SOLEMPNIT, solemn.
SOLIST, solicit.
SOM, SOUME, sum.
SOUERTE, surety.
SOULD, SULD, should.
SOM, SOUME, sum.
SOUME, SOWME, the relative proportion of cattle or sheep to pasture.
SOWFYCHAND, sufficient.
SOWKKAND, sucking.
SPALD, the shoulder.
SPATE, a flood, an inundation.
SPEIDFUL, expedient.
SPEKAR, speaker, advocate, procurator.
SPET, a spit.
SPON, a spoon.
SPONYT, disponed, conveyed, bestowed.
SPOS, spouse.
SPRENT, a clasp of iron.
SPULYE, spoil, to despoil.
STABLIST, established.
STAIK, to accomodate.
STALLANCH SILUER, duty paid for liberty to erect a stall.

STAN, stone.
STANCHEING, stopping, assuaging.
STANK, a pool or pond.
STAUF SUERD, a sword for thrusting.
STEDY, an anvil.
STEIKIT, shut.
STENT, taxation.
STING, a pike or spear.
STIRK, a bullock or heifer between one and two years old.
STOP, a pot or flagon.
STOWPES, posts fastened in the earth.
STRAIK, an instrument for stroking off all that is above the legal measure.
STRAY, straw.
STREKYN, STRICKEN, lowered, surrendered.
STRENYEABILL, that may be distrained.
STUD, stood.
SUA, SWA, so.
SUBDITIS, subjects.
SUBSCRIUIT, SUBSCRIWIT, subscribed.
SUDDANDE, sudden.
SUFFIAND, sufficient.
SULD, should.
SUMMER, one of the supports laid across a kiln.
SUPERFLUE, superfluous.
SUPLE, SWPPLE, supply.
SUPERSPENDIT, over-expended.
SURD, sword.
SURPLES, surplice.
SUSTER, sister.
SUT, to seek.
SUTE, suit.
SUTIT, to be sought for.
SUTTIS, the assise, attendance on the bailies by the burgesses in the court held by them.
SWANE, Sweden.
SWER, swear.
SWISCHE, a trumpet.
SWMTYM, sometime.
SWYRE, declination of a hill near the summit, the most level spot between two hills, the neck.
SYDWAWDYK, side wall dike.
SYTHIT, satisfied, compensated.

TA, one.
TACHMENT, attachment, arrestment.
TAKKYNG, talking.
TALLO, (p. 302.)
TANE, taken.
TAPPING, selling.
TASTERYS, tasters.
TAVERNOUR, tavern keeper.
TECAT, ticket.
TEILLIT, tilled.
TEXTOUR, a weaver.
THA, these.
THAI, they.
THAK, thatch.
THAME, jurisdiction in matter of bondage, perhaps also right to hold bondmen.
THESAURER, TRESOREIR, treasurer.
THIK, THEIK, to thatch, to cover a roof.
THIN, thence.
THIR, these.
THOLE, immunity to a baron from payment of custom in buying, or the liberty of buying and selling on his own land.
THORTOUR, across, athwart.
THRANG, crowded.
THREWCH, THROUCH, a sheet of paper.
THRING, to press, to thrust.
THROGAT, through-gait, passage.
THWEN, ten.
TIL, to.
TILTH, tilled land, land to be tilled.
TIMMER, TYMMER, timber.
TINE, TYNE, lose.
TINSALL, TYNSEL, loss, forfeiture.

TIRVIS, TURRIS, turfs.
TITULAR, one having a right to church lands or tithes.
TOCHER, dowry.
TOGIDDER, together.
TOLBUITH, a prison, or jail.
TON, TOUN, town.
TOTHER, other.
TOUKE, TUK, TWK OF DRUM, beat of drum.
TOWRPYKIS, a stair of a spiral form.
TRAIST, trusty, faithful.
TRAISTING, trusting.
TRAP, a ladder.
TRAST, frame of a table.
TREW, truce.
TREWTH, truth.
TREYN, wooden.
TRONE, a weighing instrument.
TRUBLANCE, disturbance.
TRUBILLIT, disturbed.
TULYE, quarrel, broil, skirmish.
TUK, TWK, took.
TURNGREYS, a winding stair.
TURS OF HEDDER, as much heath as a horse can carry on its back.
TURSING, carrying.
TUTOWRYS, tutors.
TWA, THWA, two.
TWICHING, touching.

UMQUHILE, former, late, deceased.
UNLANDIT, not in possession of lands.
UNLAW, fine.

VAIKIS, becomes vacant.
VAIL, avail, value.
VAKEN, vacancy.
VALOW, value.
VANTON, wanton.
VERT, right to cut green wood.
VERTU, industry.
VESY, to visit, to inspect.
VETH, (p. 99.)
VIGILATIUE, vigilant.
VMQUHILE, former, late, deceased.
VNCLENE, unclean.
VNDERTANE, undertaken.
VNDIR, under.
VNE, one.
VNLAW, unlaw, fine.
VNREST, See Abbot of,
VNVEMYT, unspotted, unstained.
VNYT, united.
VOLT, vault.
VOS, voice.
VSURPIT, usurped.
VT, out.
VTER, utter, utmost.
VTHIR, other.
VTTER, outter.
VTMOST, outmost.
VTOUTH, outwith, beyond.

WAIK, watch.
WAIKIS, becomes vacant.
WAIR, sea weeds.
WAIRD, prison.
WAIST, waste.
WAKER, WALKER, a fuller.
WALD, would.
WALIT, a wallet, a bag.
WALKIN, WAKYIN, watching.
WALTER, water.
WAND, a badge of authority.
WAND, a twig.
WANGEL, evangel, the gospel.
WAPPINSCHAWING, an exhibition of arms.
WAPPYN, weapon.
WAR, were.
WARDE, guard.

WARDIT, awarded, imprisoned.
WARIT, spent.
WARKLUMES, work implements.
WAST, waste.
WAU, wall.
WAUK, to full cloth.
WECAR, vicar.
WECHT, weight.
WEDDIT, wagered.
WEDOS, widows.
WEDSET, alienation of property under reversion, a pledge.
WEDY, a rope made of willow twigs, a halter.
WEIR, WER, war.
WEIS, weighs.
WEKERIS, twigs.
WERAND, wearing.
WERAND, warring.
WESSAL, WECHEL, vessel.
WESSE, ish, entrance.
WESTMENT, vestment.
WETTERIT, marked.
WILLAND, willing.
WIN, WYN, to work or raise as from a quarry.
WINDY, vain, ostentatious.
WISSERIT, (p. 419.)
WIST, knew.
WIT, know.
WITE, WYT, blame.
WITTY, knowing, intelligent.
WITTYNG, knowledge.
WLE, oil.
WNCHERSIABILL, (p. 141).
WNDERSEDYLLIS (p. 178), subtenants.
WOBSTER, weaver.
WOCHSAUF, vouchsafe.
WODE, wood.
WOLKLIE, weekly.
WORMING, (p. 417.)
WORTHIS, waxes, becomes.
WOS, voice.
WRAK, sea wreck cast on shore.
WSCHA, issue, expiration, close.
WSSAY, (p. 124).
WSWEL, usual.
WYN TURRIS, to dry turfs by exposure to air.

YARD, a garden.
YAT, at.
YEILD, barren, applied to cattle and sheep too young to bear.
YEMAN, yeoman.
YERLY, yearly.
YETT, gate.
YHED, YEID, YID, went.
YHEMSALE, keeping, custody.
YHER, year.
YMAGE, image.
YOULE, YULE, Christmas.
YRONIS, irons.

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